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## Two-thirds of airmen in '03 poll are satisfied with quality of life; Navy sees largest drop-off among branches

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# Techs treat medical supplies

**Staff Sgt. Sergio Chinchilla** calibrates a ventilator while **Airman 1st Class Thomas Elliott**, background, checks vital-signs monitors during an inspection Thursday at the 374th Medical Support Squadron, Medical Equipment Repair Center element, at **Yokota Air Base, Japan**. Both airmen are biomedical equipment technicians. The mission of the **MERC** element includes acquisition, installation, maintenance and disposition of medical equipment for Yokota's 374th Medical Group.

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# News Tracker ... What's new with old news

## States

**Phone-jamming scandal:** Democrats in Concord, N.H., are accusing the Justice Department of playing politics by trying to delay an inquiry into whether President Bush's New England campaign chief played a role in illegal phone-jamming on Election Day 2002.

Computer-generated calls were made to get-out-the-vote phones run by Democrats and the nonpartisan Manchester firefighters' union. More than 800 hang-up calls tied up phones for about 1½ hours.

Last summer, the former executive director of the state GOP pleaded guilty to a conspiracy charge and admitted paying \$15,600 to a Virginia telemarketing company that hired another business to make the calls.

**RNC expenditures:** The Republican National Convention in New York had a total tab of about \$150 million, including security. Expenses included \$5 million to rent Madison Square Garden, \$11 million to renovate it and \$1 million for 13,298 tickets to Broadway shows for delegates, according to a Federal Election Commission filing this week by the New York City Host Committee.

Another \$28 million was spent on construction inside the arena, and some \$7,000 went for coffee and doughnuts, the filing showed. The federal government contributed \$50 million for security. The city will end up spending about \$7.9 million for security, fire protection, transportation and sanitation, Mayor Michael Bloomberg said.

**Snakehead in Chicago:** The northern snakehead, a voracious fish that has been pulled from Virginia and Maryland waters, was found in Chicago's Burnham Harbor, to the alarm of biologists.

An angler caught the 18-inch fish last weekend and thought it looked peculiar, so he posted a picture of it on the Internet.

The northern snakehead can grow to more than 3 feet, has large teeth and a voracious appetite for other fish. It is usually imported for food or aquariums.

Chicago imposed a ban on northern snakeheads two years ago after an angler discovered one in Maryland. About 20 have been found in the Potomac River.

**La. serial killer trial:** Already sentenced to life in prison for one murder, Derrick Todd Lee now faces execution for the beating and stabbing death of a 22-year-old woman after a Baton Rouge jury rejected defense claims that he is mentally retarded.

The panel took just over 90 minutes Thurs-



**Mount St. Helens activity:** More new lava has emerged on the crater floor of Mount St. Helens, expanding the growing rock formation behind the volcano's old lava dome and emitting a red glow at night. Airborne observers also have seen "vigorous jets" of ash and steam near the new growth, and aerial photographs indicated some uplift on the left side of the emerging rock "fin," geologist Tina Neal of the U.S. Geological Survey said.

day night to decide on the death penalty for the suspected serial slayer.

**Rosa Parks' caretaker:** A judge has asked former Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer to serve as a guardian to 91-year-old Rosa Parks, amid questions over whether those representing the civil rights pioneer are doing an adequate job.

Parks helped spark a yearlong boycott of the Montgomery, Alabama, public bus system — a key civil rights protest — when she was arrested in 1955 for refusing to give up her seat to a white passenger.

U.S. District Judge George Steeh appointed Archer to intercede in two lawsuits filed on behalf of Parks against the record companies of the popular hip-hop duo OutKast.

## World

**Missing Munch paintings:** Nearly two months after a pair of priceless Edward Munch masterpieces were stolen from a Norway museum, police said Friday they may be closing in on the suspected thieves.

Three masked robbers, including at least one with a pistol, took "The Scream" and "Madonna" and fled in a stolen car in a brazen daylight robbery Aug. 22 that left visitors stunned and the art world rethinking security.

On Friday, police said the getaway car that was later found abandoned was yielding forensic evidence, even though robbers filled it with the powder from a fire extinguisher to cover their tracks and fingerprints.

**Iraqi elections:** Iraq's president said in an interview published Thursday that the Jan. 31 date for Iraqi elections is "not sacred" and the vote could be postponed if a lack of security threatens the fairness of balloting.

President Ghazi al-Yawer's comments, made in an interview with the Ashraq Al-Awsat newspaper, represent a departure from a major policy goal of both the U.S. and Iraqi governments. President Bush and Iraqi Prime Minister Ayad Allawi have insisted the election will proceed as planned despite the growing security crisis.

## Business

**Enron scandals:** A judge ruled Friday that three British bankers indicted in the United States on Enron-linked fraud charges could be extradited to stand trial in Texas.

District Judge Nicholas Evans said there was a "good and proper basis" for prosecuting David Bermingham, Giles Darby and Gary Mulgrew in the United States and ruled the case should be sent to Home Secretary David Blunkett for a decision on whether to extradite them.

The three, former employees of the National Westminster Bank, were charged in the United States in 2002 with bilking the bank of \$7.3 million in a scheme allegedly engineered by Andrew Fastow, former finance chief of the collapsed energy firm Enron Corp. Each faces seven counts of wire fraud.

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# Judge dismisses case involving drugs, sailors

## USS Vincennes' commander deemed not sufficiently 'neutral and detached'

BY NANCY MONTGOMERY  
Stars and Stripes

A military judge dismissed one of several cases involving drugs and a group of USS Vincennes sailors after deciding the Vincennes' commander might not be sufficiently "neutral and detached" to preside over post-trial proceedings.

Lt. Cmdr. John Maksym, Yokosuka's military judge, then sent the case to Adm. James Kelly, commander of Carrier Strike Group 5, of which the Vincennes is a part. Kelly is to decide whether to proceed again to court-martial or adjudicate the cases in some other way.

"Admiral Kelly has that under consideration," said Cmdr. John Bernard, spokesman for the Kitty Hawk strike group. "He has not made that decision known to anyone."

The case of the sailor, whose name was not released, is one of four involving a group of enlisted Vincennes sailors, report-

edly including a petty officer first class. All had been charged with either use or distribution of drugs, including marijuana. The quantity or type of drugs other than marijuana, if any, was unavailable.

Whether the three other cases similarly would be referred to Kelly was unknown.

Maksym made the decision Wednesday in a hearing after reviewing e-mails written by Vincennes skipper Cmdr. Mark Englebert. The e-mails, Maksym determined, could present the appearance that Englebert "had had such extensive involvement in the case it would be best sent to a new convening authority," said Cmdr. Steve Barney, officer in charge of the base Trial Service Office.

"The judge determined that the commanding officer of the Vincennes was not sufficiently neutral and detached in these cases and therefore for the purpose of post-trial review, he believed that the CO could not be neutral and detached," the prosecutor said.

What the e-mails stated was not disclosed.

Maksym was reviewing the e-mails at the request of defense lawyers to decide whether they were relevant to the sailor's defense and therefore should be released to the defense. He decided that parts of the e-mails were relevant and relevant to defense attorneys.

Englebert could not be reached for comment. But Bernard said the judge's referral did not reflect any failing on Englebert's part.

"It is not a reflection on his abilities as a commanding officer. Admiral Kelly has the utmost confidence in how he's performed as a CO in the strike group," Bernard said. "It's just another effort by the judge to make it (the legal process) as objective as possible."

Commanders walk a fine line when deciding to refer criminal charges. Although they must believe there's a probable cause of guilt, they also are supposed to be de-

tached, impartial — not personally or emotionally involved — in the case. This is in part because the commander also acts as a sort of appellate court, post-trial, where convicted sailors can ask for clemency or for their sentence to be reduced from the military court's imposed sentence.

"No CO wants to take one of his sailors and charge him with a crime. They're his crew," Bernard said. "By the same token, if he's presented with enough evidence, he has to do so. The challenge he faces of remaining as objective as possible, it's not a small challenge."

The Vincennes drug suspects first came to the attention of base prosecutors in July. There were seven; three had their cases disposed of by extra-judicial means, such as separation from the Navy. Four others were to be adjudicated in special courts-martial, in which the heaviest penalty, in addition to a bad conduct discharge, is a year in jail.

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# Kadena employee being charged in alleged rape

Stars and Stripes

Okinawa police arrested a 35-year-old U.S. civilian base employee on suspicion of raping an Okinawan woman in her home Aug. 22.

Dag Allen Thompson, an Army and Air Force Exchange Service car salesman on Kadena Air Base, was taken into custody at his home in Naha's Nakadoma District Friday morning for trespassing and allegedly raping the woman, who is in her 20s. The woman's home is

in Chatan, near Kadena Air Base.

The incident occurred at 1:50 a.m. while the woman was sleeping.

Police said a man entered the woman's apartment through an unlocked front door and then raped her. An August police report said the woman left her door unlocked for a relative who lives with her.

The woman reportedly told police that she saw the man's face from the light on

her cell phone.

Police said the attacker was described as white, approximately 40 years old, with curly brown hair.

Upon receiving the description, Okinawa police turned to U.S. military police to help find the attacker.

An Okinawa police spokesman could not comment on the details of how they came to suspect Thompson and if working with the military helped with the arrest.

## Exercising his right



RAUL QUINONEZ/Courtesy of the U.S. Navy

Legalman 3rd Class Candie Thompson from the USS Kitty Hawk's legal assistance office helps Hull Maintenance Technician 1st Class Javier Castaneda of Mission, Texas, fill out an absentee ballot Wednesday.

# Exercise to test fighter wing on deployment readiness

BY JENNIFER H. SVAN  
Stars and Stripes

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — Airmen with the 35th Fighter Wing are about to go into exercise mode again.

The wing holds a quarterly exercise, and this time, airmen will pretend to deploy to a combat zone as part of the Initial Response Readiness Exercise, which was to begin Sunday and run through Friday.

The exercise begins with a phone call. "It's time to go," signaling an airman to grab his combat gear and report to the personnel deployment line for out-processing.

Officials with the wing's plans, programs and inspections script the exercise based on the nature of the mission and threat at Misawa and send out teams of exercise evaluators from various units to grade the wing's perfor-

mance.

"Our main objective is to get our personnel and our cargo to the deployed location within the allotted time limits," said Master Sgt. Kevin Nies, superintendent of wing medical inspections.

Depending on one's Unit Type Code, which identifies job specialties, an airman and his team could have one day or three, for example, to get to the deployed location, Nies said.

"Each UTC has a specific timeline of when they have to be in a conflict area," Nies said, noting that more specific information is

classified.

The wing will be tested on whether and how well it meets those guidelines. Airmen will simulate loading personnel and cargo on aircraft, but if the conflict area

is a three-hour flight from Misawa, "they'll sit in the hangar for three hours until they were to land," Nies said.

Exercise evaluators will check mobility folders that list, among other items, whether immunizations are updated and if weapons training is complete. Airmen also could have their bags inspected.

"One of the evaluators may say,

'Empty your bag. I want to see what's in your bag,'" Nies said. Though Air Force personnel at Misawa are always supposed to have their deployment bags ready at a moment's notice, some don't, Nies said.

"You have some people who don't have the proper rank" on their uniforms or an adequate supply of toilet paper, he said, listing two examples.

"Your mobility bag should be packed and should never be touched," Nies reminded airmen. "When they say 'It's time to go,' it's time to go."

Other functions to be evaluated include reception and bed-down of forces and a safe haven.

During a real conflict, stateside troops could be sent to Misawa to backfill for deploying airmen, Nies said, so the exercise tests how well the wing processes those individuals into their assigned units.

Master Sgt. Shawn Jarnigan, superintendent of 35th Mission Support Group inspections, said airmen from other bases might deploy to Misawa Air Base, depending on the nature of the conflict.

Misawa also could serve as a "safe haven" in war, hosting an aircraft full of family members flown out of a conflict area while it refuels en route to the States, Nies said. In that instance, the base could be tasked to provide a translator, chaplain, financial expert and others to assist family members.

Nies said many of the new airmen will be participating in this week's exercise, one reason the wing conducts these drills four times a year.

"There's nothing worse than deploying someone out and they don't know how to wear a gas mask," Nies said.

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# U.S. pushes forward with assault on Fallujah

By TINI TRAN

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — U.S. warplanes pounded the insurgent stronghold of Fallujah, where residents were marking the first day of the holy month of Ramadan on Friday, a day after city leaders suspended peace talks and rejected the Iraqi government's demands to turn over terror mastermind Abu Musab al-Zarqawi.

U.S. troops detained Fallujah's top negotiator in the peace talks, witnesses said. Khalid al-Jumeili, an Islamic cleric, was arrested as he left a mosque after prayers in a

village about 10 miles south of Fallujah, they said. There was no immediate U.S. comment.

In Baghdad, a car bomb blew up near a police station in a southwestern district, destroying two police vehicles. The U.S. military said 10 people were killed in the blast and four others wounded, though initial reports from the Iraqi Interior Ministry and hospitals said one dead and 11 wounded.

In a statement read at sermons in mosques in Baghdad and elsewhere, Fallujah's clerics called for civil disobedience across Iraq if the Americans try to overrun the

insurgent bastion. And if that doesn't halt an offensive, the clerics said they would proclaim a jihad, or holy war, against multinational forces "as well as those collaborating with them."

The clerics insisted al-Zarqawi was not in the city as U.S. and Iraqi commanders claim, saying his presence "is a lie just like the weapons of mass destruction lie."

Al-Zarqawi's Tawhid and Jihad group has claimed responsibility for Thursday's twin bombings inside Baghdad's heavily guarded Green Zone — home to U.S. officials and the Iraqi leadership — which killed six people, including

three American civilians, and wounded 27 others, mostly Iraqis. A fourth American was missing and presumed dead.

Elsewhere, several mortar rounds believed fired from Syria exploded Friday near the border town of Huseybah, said Marine Lt. Col. Chris Woodbridge. There were no casualties. Marines say mortar attacks from Syrian territory have increased in recent weeks though it's unclear who is launching them.

Jets and artillery hammered Fallujah through the night and early Friday in an apparent effort to quash terrorists suspected of plan-

ning attacks timed with the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, which began Friday.

Three people were killed and seven others injured during the night, according to Dr. Ruffa Hyad of Fallujah General Hospital.

By sundown Friday, witnesses reported a series of new airstrikes on the southern and eastern part of the city. One resident, Salah Abd, said Fallujah has been sealed off by American troops, who prevented residents from leaving the area.

Iraqi leaders have been in negotiations to restore government control to Fallujah.



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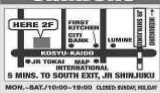
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# Survey: Troops satisfied, but stressed

## Satisfaction numbers drop from last poll

BY SCOTT SCHONAUER  
Stars and Stripes

**NAVAL STATION ROTA, Spain** — According to a report obtained by Stars and Stripes, nearly two-thirds of U.S. servicemembers are satisfied with their overall military way of life, but more than half said they were more stressed than usual, a Pentagon survey shows.

More Air Force members reported they were satisfied, while the Army and Marine Corps had the lowest percentage satisfied, according to the 2003 Stars and Stripes survey by the Defense Manpower Data Center.

More than 32,000 active-duty servicemembers in July and August of last year took the online survey, which asked about everything from work-related stress to the overall satisfaction with health care benefits.

According to the survey, 72 percent of the Air Force members who took the survey said they were satisfied, compared with 61 percent for the Navy and 57 percent for both the Army and Marines. The percentages dropped across the board, but the Navy saw the biggest decrease, dropping from 69 percent to 61 percent.

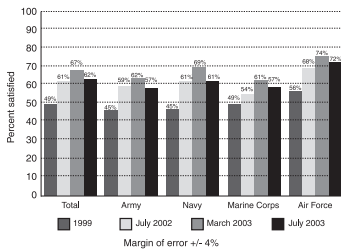
Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Richard Grajales, 26, said he isn't surprised that the Navy posted the largest decrease.

Grajales, who is based in Rota, blames cuts to recreation programs in Navy bases worldwide and the reduction in the number of sailors for the lower figures.

"Whenever there is change,

### Satisfaction with the military way of life

The military's Defense Manpower Data Center conducted an online survey of 32,000 active-duty servicemembers about various issues, from job satisfaction to health care. The center conducted the survey in the summer of 2003. This graph shows the level of satisfaction with the overall military way of life as reported by servicemembers.



Source: Defense Manpower Data Center

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people get worried," he said. "And satisfaction has gone down because of the decreases in a lot of things."

Senior Chief Petty Officer Todd Pigeon, 37, who has been in the Navy 19 years, said he enjoys being in the military and the many benefits that come with it. Pigeon and his wife were visiting Rota by hitching a ride on a space-available military flight from their home base from the States.

"I think it's pretty good," he said. "My quality of life is pretty good. I take advantage of all the benefits that we get."

Sailors ranked their Navy Exchange stores higher than the Army and Air Force members rated theirs. For example, 78 percent were satisfied overall with the stores. That was 10 points better than what Army and Air

Force members said. Sailors and Marines reported that their commissaries were better than the local retail stores, while more airmen and soldiers rated the military grocery stores worse.

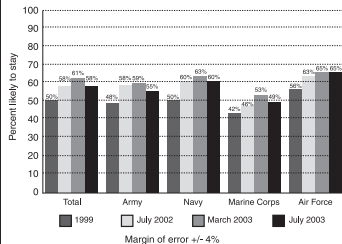
Sixty-five percent of servicemembers said they were satisfied with their military health care benefits, but 55 percent said civilian doctors were more skilled than military doctors. Only 22 percent said the quality of health care in the military is better than what they would find off base.

The Air Force is generally perceived among servicemembers as having better housing, and the survey showed that airmen are the happiest with their living quarters.

Sixty-six percent of the airmen surveyed said they were satisfied with housing in general. That's

### Military retention

This graph indicates the percentage of servicemembers who said it was likely that they would stay on active duty.

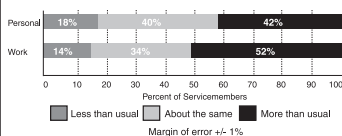


Source: Defense Manpower Data Center

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### Personal and work stress

This graph shows the current level of personal and work-related stress reported by servicemembers.



Source: Defense Manpower Data Center

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13 percentage points higher than the Army, 14 points higher than the Marine Corps and three points higher than the Navy.

With the war on terrorism and the war in Iraq, many servicemembers said they were stressed. Army members and lower-enlisted personnel reported

the highest levels of personal stress, especially males.

The work "tempo" might have something to do with it. Military personnel led by the soldiers and Marines — worked an average of 95 days of overtime in a 12-month period.

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# Military members, families trust Bush to lead, poll shows

BY WILL LESTER  
The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** — When asked who they would trust as commander in chief, Kerry more in military service and their families chose President Bush over Sen. John Kerry, a decorated Vietnam veteran, by almost a 3-to-1 margin.

Bush, who served in the Texas Air National Guard, was more trusted by 69 percent while 24 percent said they trusted Kerry more, according to the National Annenberg Election Survey released Friday.

Among all Americans, Bush has a more narrow advantage on trust to be commander in chief, 50 percent to 41 percent.

The military sample was far more likely to be Republican than Democratic, who could help explain the more favorable view of the president. Forty-three percent of the military sample said they were Republicans, while 19 percent said Democrats and 27 percent identified themselves as independents. Yet indepen-

dents in the military sample, when compared to civilians, were also more pro-Bush.

Those in the military and their families have a more favorable view of Bush than Americans generally, and they take a more optimistic view about Iraq, the economy and the nation's direction.

The military sample was split on whether Bush had a clear plan for a solution in Iraq, with 47 percent saying he had a plan and 48 percent saying he lacked a plan. But he rated better with them than with the general population, where 38 percent said he had a plan and 56 percent said he did not.

On particular traits, the military sample gave Bush an advantage on caring, leadership, sharing their values, knowledge, consistency and optimism, which contradicted the American public's view in general. Military and their families did consider Bush more stubborn.

A majority in the military sample, 64 percent, said the country is on the right track. Among Americans generally, 55

percent said the country is headed in the wrong direction.

The National Annenberg Election Survey found that 69 percent had a favorable view of Bush. Only 29 percent had a favorable view of Kerry.

Two members of Bush's cabinet also drew positive balances from the military sample. (The general population was not asked about them.) Fifty-three percent said they had a favorable opinion of Donald Rumsfeld, secretary of defense, while 24 percent said they had an unfavorable view.

But the strongest rating of all went to Colin Powell, secretary of state. Eighty percent of the military sample had a favorable opinion of him. Only 7 percent had an unfavorable view.

The Annenberg poll did not ask the military respondents who they support for president. The report cited a 1948 law that prohibits polling members of the military about their voting intent.

Reflecting the nonpolitical tradition of the American military, 55 percent said it

### About this survey

This report is based on interviews among active military members, including active duty, National Guard and Reserves, as well as interviews among family members in military households. From Sept. 22 through Oct. 5, 655 military or their family members were interviewed.

It's part of the National Annenberg Election Survey, which is conducted each presidential election by the Annenberg Public Policy Center of the University of Pennsylvania.

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would be inappropriate to ask someone of equal rank to vote for a presidential candidate. Junior enlisted personnel disagreed, 52 percent said it would be appropriate.

Stripes editor Pat Dickson contributed to this report from Washington. On the Web: [www.naesd.org](http://www.naesd.org)



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## IN THE WORLD

# Japan government denies endorsing Bush in election

BY CHISAKI WATANABE

The Associated Press

TOKYO — Japan's government on Friday denied declaring its support for President George Bush in the U.S. election, despite the prime minister's comment that he hopes Bush will "do well" in the vote.

Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi has forged a close relationship with Bush and has been a steadfast supporter of the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq. His government has deployed some 550 troops to southern Iraq on a humanitarian mission.

Chief Cabinet Secretary Hiroyuki Hosoda denied on Friday that Koizumi meant to voice an opinion about which way the U.S. election next month should go.

"It's not that the prime minis-

ter is saying who should win," Hosoda told reporters. "No matter what the results of the election may be, the ties between the United States and Japan are solid."

When answering a question on Thursday about what message he would want to pass to Bush about the Nov. 2 vote, Koizumi suggested he preferred the Republican incumbent to Democratic challenger Sen. John Kerry.

"I don't want to interfere in another country's election, but I'm close to Bush so I'd like him to do well," Koizumi told reporters.

However, Tsutomu Takebe, secretary general of Koizumi's ruling Liberal Democratic Party, was more blunt.

"It's going to be a problem if President Bush doesn't win. Mr. Kerry, who wants to try to resolve

the North Korea problem bilaterally, is completely out of the question," Takebe said Friday on a radio talk show. Later, he said he was only offering his own opinion, not trying to influence the outcome of the election.

An opposition lawmaker on Friday criticized Koizumi's comment as a diplomatic blunder.

"Even though he says it was his personal opinion, rooting for someone or saying you want them to win in the elections of another country is likely to be taken as meddling," Democratic Party lawmaker Yoshio Hachiro told reporters. "In terms of foreign policy, I think it was misguided."

Koizumi has stalked much of his political future on support of U.S. policy in Iraq, despite widespread domestic skepticism about the war and Tokyo's support of it.

## Peru seeks Fujimori's extradition

The Associated Press

TOKYO — Peru asked Japan on Friday to extradite disgraced former President Alberto Fujimori to face corruption charges, an official said.

It was Peru's second extradition request for the former leader.

The first, in July 2003, asked for Fujimori's return to face murder charges related to his 1990-2000 presidency. The new request covers charges of forgery and embezzlement, the Peruvian Embassy said in a statement.

Peruvian Ambassador Luis Macchiavello hand-delivered the request to Japanese Foreign Ministry officials Friday night, a ministry spokesman said on customary condition of anonymity.

"The Japanese government will carefully consider the request under domestic laws," the spokesman said.

Fujimori has been in self-exile in Japan since fleeing his homeland in November 2000 as his government crumbled amid a corruption scandal. Fujimori, the son of Japanese immigrants, has been shielded from extradition by Japanese citizenship granted to him

after his arrival.

Tokyo has repeatedly said Japanese citizens can't be extradited under Japanese law.

The corruption charges are related to the alleged use of public funds to pay \$15 million to

Vladimiro Montesinos, Fujimori's imprisoned former spy chief, the embassy said. Montesinos is accused of corruption, arranging weapons sales to Colombian rebels, drug trafficking and authorizing death squad killings while working for Fujimori in the 1990s.

Peruvian officials want Fujimori to face murder charges for the death squad slayings of suspected rebels, as well as embezzlement and treason allegations.

Fujimori has denied any wrongdoing and has vowed to run for election again in Peru despite a ruling by Congress banning him from public office until 2010.



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# WHO: 70,000 Darfur refugees have died

BY NAOMI KOPPEL

The Associated Press

GENEVA — The U.N. health agency on Friday estimated at least 70,000 people have died since March from poor conditions in refugee camps in Sudan's Darfur region and warned that more will die at the same rate unless countries provide more money.

The toll does not include the unknown number of people killed in violence from Arab militiamen that have waged a campaign of vi-

olence against African tribal villagers and from a rebellion waged by tribal groups.

Dr. David Nabarro, head of crisis operations for the World Health Organization, said the estimate of 70,000 dead from camp conditions only covered the period since March, when aid agencies have had some access to the Darfur region.

"We are running on a threadbare, hand-to-mouth existence, and if the plight of these people in Darfur is as important to the inter-

national community as it seems to be then we should have expected more long-term support," he said.

He said the United Nations has only received half of the \$300 million that it needs to do its work.

The conflict in Darfur has forced 1.4 million villagers from their homes. More than 200,000 of those have crossed to neighboring Chad, where tension has risen because resources to care for the refugees are scarce.

In September, Nabarro estimated that some 50,000 people had

died since the conflict began 19 months ago. He said about 15 percent of those deaths were due to violence, while the rest were because of the poor conditions in which people who have fled their homes are forced to live.

He said at the time that as many as 10,000 refugees a month were dying in the camps.

Aid agencies and the United Nations have found it difficult to get a solid death toll in Darfur — a region the size of France — because they were unable to get into much

of the area for a long time and posts still are too tenuous.

The United Nations and aid groups have called Darfur the world's worst humanitarian crisis.

On Sunday, the U.N. World Food Program agency halted its operations temporarily in parts of Darfur because of the staff members of the British aid group Save the Children UK were killed in an explosion believed caused by a land mine or unexploded ordnance.

It also reported several attacks by armed bandits on humanitarian vehicles over the past week.

## Woods turned away

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Tiger Woods and his new wife were briefly held aboard their private yacht Thursday by U.S. Coast Guard officers and turned away from San Juan's port because they failed to notify authorities of their arrival ahead of time, an official said.

Since July 1, new security regulations require many boats to submit an arrival notice at least four days in advance before entering a U.S. port, Coast Guard spokesman Lt. Eric Willis said.

## Bin Laden's operability

MONACO — Osama bin Laden is unable to order operations from his hideout near the rugged Pakistani-Afghan border and spends all his time trying to evade capture of Europe's top anti-terrorism officials said Friday.

Spanish Judge Baltasar Garzon also told a conference on crime the threat of terrorism has not dissipated despite bin Laden's isolation and even harder-line groups have emerged that can direct attacks on their own.

Garzon did not offer proof that bin Laden, mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks, was unable to direct terror operations, but said all indications pointed that way for the world's most hunted man.

"As things stand today, with the pressure being exerted against this person and the leadership of al-Qaida, it would be hard to believe that he could still be operational and capable of giving orders," Garzon said.

## Spain, U.S. mend ties

MADRID, Spain — The Spanish defense minister and the U.S. ambassador held fence-mending talks Tuesday after a flap over a parade — the latest dispute between two governments divided by the Iraq war.

A U.S. embassy official described the encounter as cordial.

Defense Minister Jose Bono had breakfast with Ambassador George Aregoyen in a bid to calm tempers that flared after Spain's new Socialist government dropped plans for U.S. troops to march in Tuesday's parade, which marked Spain's armed forces day and also commemorated Columbus' arrival in the New World.

From The Associated Press



Ibrahim Gueye, 38, poses at the African Refinery Co., where he is the head of the finance department in the M'Bao district, on the outskirts of Dakar, Senegal, on Thursday. Like a large number of African expatriate returnees, the 38-year-old financial analyst has given up his lucrative job in Europe, deciding the West isn't necessarily best and the quality of life is actually better at home.

# Africa may be experiencing a new wave of brain power

BY NAÏF DIOUF

The Associated Press

DAKAR, Senegal — African immigrant Ibrahim Gueye has it all: A top executive job with a future. A two-story, four-bath home. Servants cook his food, clean his house and wash his clothes. A live-in nanny takes care of his children.

But not in Europe or the United States — in Africa.

Like a large number of African expatriate returnees, the 38-year-old financial analyst has given up his lucrative job in Europe, deciding West isn't necessarily best — and the quality of life is at home.

"People just don't realize that though you make a lot of money living in the West, you don't even enjoy all that cash," Gueye said, recalling how he spent most of his free weekend time in France — where he lived for 14 years — working around the house and grocery shopping.

Hundreds of thousands of educated Africans have left their home continent to escape ubiquitous poverty and high unemployment, and millions more yearn to.

But some also are moving in the opposite direction — attracted by lower costs of living, the desire to be close to family, and the chance to take on more senior positions than they'd likely get abroad.

As head of the finance department of an oil and

gas refinery company in Senegal's capital, Dakar, Gueye makes a salary equivalent to what he made in Paris as a senior accountant with benefits.

"Basically, I have my life back," said Gueye, dressed in an immaculate suit, barking orders over the phone in his air-conditioned office. "Now, I can spend the weekend at the beach with my family," he said. "Cooking is definitely a thing of the past."

African nations have tried to woo back expatriate nationals with patriotic calls to help rebuild shattered economies, but it's a hard sell.

The U.K.-based nonprofit organization AfricaRecruit, founded in 1999 by a group of expatriates from Nigeria, Zimbabwe, and Ghana, has helped more than 200 African professionals relocate to the continent, the organization's chief executive Lola Banjoko said by telephone from London.

On AfricaRecruit's Web site, skilled Africans abroad can register on a database, search for jobs and consult a list of potential employers in Africa.

Doudou Ka, a Senegalese citizen who used to work in France as a consultant for Deloitte & Touche, said "it was never a question of 'if,' but finding the right time to return."

Ka was among 25 foreigners who graduated from France's prestigious Ecole Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées.

Ka said he would never work outside the continent again. It is "out of the question," he said. "The future is here in Africa."

## Albanians mourn 15 in bus crash

BY GARENTINA KRAJA

The Associated Press

PRISTINA, Serbia-Montenegro — Kosovo President Ibrahim Rugova declared Friday a day of mourning as Albanians in the province grieved for 15 students killed in a bus crash that sent their vehicle tumbling over a cliff.

Political campaigning for next week's general elections was suspended for the day. Radio and television stations played somber classical music, and a black bar of mourning marked the front pages of all the daily newspapers.

The bus was bringing about 50 teenagers back to neighboring Kosovo after an excursion in Albania on Thursday when it collided with a car and went off the road in Fushe Arre, 105 miles north of the capital, Tirana.

The bus was part of a convoy of six buses carrying high school students from the town of Malisevo.

Distressed families spent the night trying to find out whether their children were among the dead and injured. On Friday, the coffins were brought to Kosovo from Albania and underwent further identification by family members at a morgue.

They were later taken to a high school gymnasium in Malisevo, where relatives of the teenagers circled the coffins with wreaths on top and draped with flags as they paid their last respects to the town's dead students. Their burial was scheduled for Saturday.

Forty-nine young people were confirmed dead late Thursday and other passengers were injured, some seriously but none critically, health officials said. A 15th victim died of his injuries Friday. The driver of the car was also killed.

Three helicopters carried 11 of the more seriously injured to Tirana hospitals. An injured student was taken to Italy to undergo a more intense treatment, officials in Albania said.

Albania also declared a national day of mourning, with flags flying at half-staff and high schools in Tirana starting the day with a minute of silence.

## IN THE STATES

# Al-Zarqawi group listed as terror organization

BY BARRY SCHWEID

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The group headed by Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, which claimed responsibility for dozens of deadly attacks in Iraq, was designated by the U.S. government Friday as a terrorist organization.

The State Department has considered Zarqawi himself a threat for some time. Spokesman Richard Boucher said he was responsible for several horrible crimes, including the beheading of hostages in Iraq and vowed he would be

caught.

The reward for information leading to his killing or capture was raised to \$25 million on a par with al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden and his top deputy.

The listing imposes several restrictions on Zarqawi's group, known as Tawhid and Jihad, including a ban on travel to the United States and a freeze on any assets it may have in U.S. banks, but in practice has limited implications.

The listing appeared in the Federal Register. It said Secretary of State Colin Powell had taken the

step after consulting with the Treasury Department and the attorney general's office.

The group was implicated in the bombing of U.N. headquarters in Baghdad in August 2003 in which more than 20 people were killed and prompted U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan to sharply reduce the U.N. presence in Iraq.

On Thursday, the Tawhid and Jihad group claimed responsibility for bombings within the Iraqi capital's heavily guarded Green Zone — home to U.S. officials and the Iraqi leadership — which

killed six people, including three American civilians. A fourth American was missing and presumed dead.

The State Department said it had no evidence to support the claim, but was investigating.

Al-Zarqawi is considered the most dangerous terror plotter and foreign fighter in Iraq, coordinating a loose coalition of militant Sunni Muslims, former loyalists of the Saddam Hussein regime and other extremists numbering at least in the hundreds and blamed for much of the instability there. While not a member of

al-Qaida, al-Zarqawi is considered an ally of bin Laden.

U.S. authorities focused their search for al-Zarqawi on Iraq, but as late as last winter he was considered a shadowy figure whose followers were known simply as "the Zarqawi network," a name still used today. He's been operating more recently in Iraq as Tawhid and Jihad, Arabic for "Montheism and Holy War."

The group has taken responsibility for the slayings of at least seven hostages and numerous mortar, suicide bombings and other attacks against U.S. and Iraqi government targets.

## Polls show U.S. reputation considerably weakened

BY BETH GARDINER

The Associated Press

LONDON — America's reputation around the world is hurting, according to a series of coordinated polls published Friday from 10 countries, including many of the United States' closest allies.

In eight of the countries where the surveys commissioned by major newspapers were conducted, more people said their view of America had worsened in the

past two to three years than improved.

That question was asked in nine countries.

By big margins, those questioned said the war in Iraq did not aid the global fight against terrorism.

And in eight out of 10 nations, those polled said — often in landslide proportions — that they hoped to see Democratic Sen. John Kerry beat President Bush in next month's election. Bush

won backing from a majority of respondents only in Russia and Israel.

The polls were conducted in Canada, France, Britain, Spain, Japan, South Korea, Australia, Mexico, Israel and Russia, with results to be published in the participating newspapers Friday.

Not all questions were asked in every country.

On average, 57 percent of those questioned said their opinions of America had worsened over the

past two to three years, compared with 20 percent who said their view had improved. That question was asked in nine of the countries, but not in Russia.

Seventy-four percent of Japanese, 70 percent of French, 67 percent of South Koreans, 64 percent of Canadians and 60 percent of Spaniards said they had a worse opinion of America now than two to three years ago.

Only in Israel did more people say their view of the United

States had improved than worsened in the past two to three years.

Fifty-nine percent of people questioned in seven nations — including Britain, America's closest ally in Iraq — said the war there was not helping the world fight against terrorism, while 35 percent said it was, as Bush contends.

The polls were conducted on different dates from September through early October.

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# U.S., allies vague on how to curb Iran nukes

BY BARRY SCHWEID

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The United States and European allies held inconclusive strategy talks Friday on how to stop Iran from developing nuclear weapons.

The three-hour session at the State Department ended without a communique and without plans for a followup meeting. A European diplomat who participated called the talks useful but said no decision

was made on a proposed European package of incentives for Iran to stop its suspect program.

The diplomat, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the next step was having a U.N. agency take up the Iranian situation next month.

In the meantime, Russian officials said construction had been completed at the Bushehr nuclear reactor in Iran and the hope was to sign agreements next month on shipping nuclear fuel to Tehran.

The United States is worried the \$800 million Bushehr deal could help Iran build nuclear weapons.

But Russia, dismissing the concern, maintains that having Iran ship spent nuclear fuel back to Russia will serve as a preventive.

President Bush's administration sought to lower any expectations of a breakthrough before the G-8 nations met to consider whether to try to induce Iran to halt its nuclear weapons program.

At the center of the discussions was a European proposal to offer trade in fuel supplies if Tehran will stop enriching uranium, a key step toward producing nuclear weapons.

But the Bush administration stressed, instead, the shared goal of stopping the program and taking the issue to the U.N. Security Council for possible economic penalties if Iran did not comply before the board of governors of the International Atomic Energy Agency meets in Vienna, Austria, in late November.

## Harvard grad student sentenced to prison term

BY DENISE LAVOIE

The Associated Press

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — A Harvard graduate student has been sentenced to six to eight years in prison for stabbing a young hotel cook to death in a late-night street fight.



Pring-Wilson

Prosecutors had sought a first-degree murder conviction for Alexander Pring-Wilson, 26, saying he attacked Michael Colono with a knife after

Colono ridiculed him as he stumbled home from a night out drinking. The defense argued that Colono, 18, and his cousin were severely beating the student when he pulled out the knife to defend himself.

A jury in Middlesex Superior Court deliberated for more than 20 hours over five days before finding Pring-Wilson guilty of the lesser charge of voluntary manslaughter.

Pring-Wilson's lawyers said there would be an appeal.

As Pring-Wilson was led from the courtroom after the verdict, his girlfriend and mother sobbed in the front row. Colono's mother, Ada, broke down in tears outside court and was comforted by her family.

Pring-Wilson's mother, Cynthia Pring, said her son has been devastated since the day he killed Colono.

The case represented a collision of two worlds. Pring-Wilson, the privileged son of two Colorado lawyers, was studying at Harvard for his master's degree in Russian and Eurasian studies, and planned to attend law school. Colono was a high school dropout from Cambridge who had earned his GED and was working as a cook at a Boston hotel. A teenage father, he died the day before his daughter's third birthday.



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# Truth wizards know a lie when they hear it

BY RANDOLPH E. SCHIMD

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A word to the wise: Be careful when you're telling lies.

There's an elite group of people who don't need to see Pinocchio's nose grow, but can pick up on subtle signs that they're not hearing the truth.

While most folks don't notice those flickers of falsehood, psychology professor Maureen O'Sullivan has found a few who can find the fibbers nearly every time.

Of 13,000 people tested for the ability to detect deception, "we found 31, who we call wizards, who are usually able to tell whether the person is lying, whether the lie is about an opinion, how someone is feeling or about a theft," she said.

O'Sullivan, who teaches at the University of San Francisco, discussed her findings Thursday at the American Medical Association's 23rd annual Science Reporters Conference.

O'Sullivan conducts seminars for police officers and others on how to detect lying, and said observing the wizards helps researchers direct further study.

"We hope that by studying our wizards, we'll learn more about the kinds of behaviors and ways of thinking and talking that can betray a liar to an experienced interviewer," she said.

She explained that there are two categories of clues to a lie: thinking clues and emotional ones.

"Basic emotions are hard to conceal completely," O'Sullivan said. People may be afraid of being caught or happy that they are putting something over on another person. Either way, some inappropriate emotion may flicker across their face.

O'Sullivan calls these microexpressions — changes that last less than a second — and the people best at catching liars are able to notice them.

The thinking clues occur because it's harder to lie than tell the truth, she said. To lie, people have to make something up. This can lead to hesitations in speech, slips of the tongue, lack of detail in what they are saying.

A group known as "superliars" is aware

of those problems, she added, but may overcompensate by talking too fast.

"Anxiety by itself is not a sign of deception," she added.

"There are other things you have to look for... things that are inconsistent with what they're saying."

Look for shrugs: "Is someone telling you something very positive and shrugs in the middle?" she said. Watch body posture, hand gestures, eye flutters.

So, who is good at detecting these various clues and sorting out the liars? Men and women are about equal among the 31 wizards, she said, and they are scattered across the country.

The thing they have in common is "they are motivated and want to get it right," she said, they practice it, like athletes.



This jumbo flying squid was found in the ocean near Alaska.

## Jumbo flying squids found off Alaska coast

The Associated Press

SITKA, Alaska — A large Humboldt squid caught offshore from Sitka is among numerous sightings of a species seen for the first time in waters of the Far North, and the first of the species recovered from British Columbia waters.

The 5-foot Dorsidicus gigas, or jumbo flying squid, was shipped this week to California to be kept for research at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. The squid was one of a number caught with a dip net by fisherman Alan Oness and his crew Sept. 18 as they baited longline gear at night. They brought back some of the creatures for examination by experts.

Eric Hochberg, curator of the Santa Barbara museum, said the species is usually found off Baja California, Mexico, and farther south.

The farthest north the species has been reported until this year was off the coast of Eugene, Ore., in 1997, said James A. Cosgrove,

manager of natural history at the Royal British Columbia Museum. Before that year, the farthest north it was seen was near San Francisco, he said.

Until this summer, there have been no other sightings in the north, Cosgrove said.

"It's unprecedented," he said. "It speaks of a fundamental change in the ocean along the coast."

The museum is keeping a 6½-foot Dorsidicus gigas in a formaldehyde tank. The purple-bellied cephalopod with eight sucker-covered arms and two curly tentacles was caught Oct. 2.

Since news of that discovery was made public, Cosgrove has received seven reports of sightings since late July of jumbo squid in northwest waters from Oregon to Alaska.

"We'll try to get a handle on are they moving north with warmer waters, and then do they die out as they head north, or does the cold water constrain their northward movement," Hochberg said.

## Heroin-related deaths up in Austin; officials point to new potent strain

BY JIM VERTUNO

The Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — Tracey Crosssett graduated high school early, had a new car, a new boyfriend and planned to study music in college.

She was 17 when her father found her dead at home on Easter Sunday, a needle lying next to her on the floor.

"Everything was going her way," Steve Crosssett said. "She was a brilliant kid. A very outgoing kid... This has been the worst experience of my life."

Thirty-four people have died so far this year in Travis County from a heroin overdose, up from 23 last year. Crosssett was the youngest.

Authorities believe a particularly potent strain of heroin being smuggled into the United States and circulating on the streets of the Texas capital is partly to blame for the highest number of heroin deaths in Austin since 1992.

"We go through this periodically," Austin Police Cmdr. Harold Platt said. "The heroin being sold on the street is too strong for some people to take and when you shoot it into your arm, it's too late."

For Tracey Crosssett, that moment came on April 11.

A singer and bassist in a rock band, The Quicks, she had played a Saturday night gig in an Austin club, a show her father attended.

Around midnight, she arrived home. She went into a bathroom,



FAMILY PHOTO/AP

Tracey Crosssett, shown at 17, was found dead at home of a heroin overdose in April. Here is one of 34 heroin-related deaths in Austin, Texas, and Travis County so far this year.

fixed a hit in a syringe and shot up. Her father found her around 6 a.m.

Heroin's potency — and its potential lethal effect — depends on its purity.

Police say most of the heroin in the Austin area comes from Mexico and is known as "black tar" because of its sticky, hard consistency and dark color, which comes from the manufacturing process. Dealers "cut" the heroin by mixing it with water-soluble products like powdered milk or chocolate, sugars or starches before it hits the street.

And it's cheap — a typical dose sells for about \$20.

Steve Crosssett said a toxicologist told him Tracey's fatal dose was from Mexico. But the overall rise in deaths suggests Austin may have an influx of stronger heroin from other parts of the world, said Jane Maxwell, a professor at the University of Texas' Center for Social Work Research.

Heroin from Mexico is typically regarded as the weakest, South American is the strongest, Maxwell said.

## Snowmobile ban lifted

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — A federal judge has struck down the Clinton-era ban on snowmobiles in Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks, calling it a "prejudged, political" move.

The decision could clear the way for new rules that likely will allow the machines.

U.S. District Judge Clarence Brimmer ruled that the Clinton ban was invalid because it did not have adequate public participation and failed to follow federal law.

A new rule governing snowmobile use in the parks is expected from the National Park Service next month in time for the coming winter season.

Cheryl Matthews, a spokeswoman at Yellowstone, said park officials are concentrating on drafting those temporary rules — to be in place up to the next three winters to help provide a measure of certainty to local businesses and visitors. The Park Ser-

vice has proposed allowing up to 720 guided snowmobiles a day into Yellowstone.

## Medication warning

WASHINGTON — All antidepressants must carry a "black box" warning label, the U.S. government's strongest safety alert, linking the drugs to increased suicidal thoughts and behavior among children and teens taking them, the Food and Drug Administration said Friday.

Because the warnings are primarily seen by doctors, the agency also is creating a medication guide for patients to advise them of the risk.

Prozac is the only antidepressant approved for use in children.

On average, 2 percent to 3 percent of children taking antidepressants have increased suicidal thoughts, independent experts, working with Columbia University, found.

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# New Tyrannosaurus rex fossils found in China

BY ROBERT LEE HOTZ  
Los Angeles Times

NEW YORK — Earth's fiercest family of predators — the toothsome Tyrannosaurs — may have been cloaked in downy feathers like a baby bird, a new fossil discovery in China suggests.

Scientists at the American Museum of Natural History in New York and the Chinese Academy of Sciences announced this week they had unearthed unusually well preserved fossils of the earliest known ancestor of Tyrannosaurus rex in western Liaoning

province in China.

The 128 million-year-old fossils preserve clear impressions of lacy feather-like filaments from head to tail, offering the first direct fossil evidence that the skin of these predators was plumed.

Formally named "Dilong paradoxus," the emperor dragon — the slender, four-foot-long carnivore had unusually long arms and three-fingered hands. Rows of curving blade-like teeth lined its jaws.

Its primitive feathers may have served to keep it warm, re-

searchers said.

The discovery, detailed in the current issue of Nature, adds to an emerging mosaic of dinosaur characteristics that emphasizes their kinship with modern birds, said American museum paleontologist Mark A. Norell, who was studying the find in his office this week.

So quickly have conventional

notions of dinosaur appearance and conduct changed, he said, that the computer-animated denizens of Jurassic Park now seem as outdated as the dusty images from a 19th century science text.

Indeed, many hundreds of fossils of feathered dinosaurs have come to light this year that it was

not the existence of feathers that made the discovery so interesting to scientists, but rather its claim to be the earliest known ancestor of all the tyrannosaurs — the last and most successful of all the carnivorous dinosaurs.

"We have a lot of feathered dinosaurs now, so that was not so exciting," said Xing Xu, a paleontologist at the Institute of Vertebrate Paleontology in Beijing, who was the lead author of the research paper.

"Then we realized we had a feathered tyrannosaur," the paleontologist said. "Now, that was exciting."

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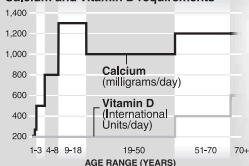


# Osteoporosis impact increasing

## Keeping bones strong

The amount of calcium and vitamin D the body needs changes throughout a lifetime. A cup of milk has about 300 mg of calcium and 50 IU of vitamin D.

### Calcium and vitamin D requirements



SOURCE: Surgeon general's report on bone health

AP

BY LAURAN NEERGAARD

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Half of Americans older than 50 will be at risk of fractures from too-thin bones by 2020, the surgeon general warned Thursday, urging people to get more calcium, vitamin D and exercise to avoid crippling osteoporosis.

The bone-thinning disease is on the rise as the population grays — but weak bones aren't a natural consequence of aging, Surgeon General Richard Carmona stressed.

Strong bones begin in childhood, and years of eating right and physical activity can leave even 80-somethings with sturdy bones.

Unfortunately, Carmona said, too few Americans follow that prescription, setting the stage for worrisome increases in broken hips

and other fractures as more people pass their 50th birthday.

"Osteoporosis isn't just your grandmother's disease," Carmona said in releasing the first surgeon general's report on bone health. "We all need to take better care of our bones."

Osteoporosis affects an estimated 10 million Americans, and each year about 1.5 million suffer a fracture as a result. Another 34 million Americans have less severe bone-thinning but enough to still risk a fracture.

By 2020, about 14 million people over age 50 are expected to have osteoporosis and another 47 million will have low bone mass, the report predicts.

Women are at highest risk, especially white women, and particularly after menopause when estrogen — which also helps keep bones strong — plummets. But osteoporosis affects men, too, and people of all races.

It's underdiagnosed because many don't know their bones are thinning until one breaks.

But often doctors are just as guilty in overlooking the risk — even forgetting to check bone density when middle-aged or older patients suffer fractures.

About 20 percent of seniors who suffer hip fractures die within a year, partly because the break often triggers a downward spiral of inactivity, depression and other problems. Yet the report cited one study that found fewer than a quarter of hip-fracture patients were given calcium and vitamin D supplements to help build up their bones — or a bone-density test to check the severity of their bone-thinning.

Bone health is a balancing act: Cells called osteoclasts dissolve old, worn-out bone while other cells called osteoblasts form new bone. Peak bone formation occurs before age 30, and then the bone-building cells can gradually slow down.

A number of drugs treat osteoporosis, either by slowing bone's breakdown or pushing new bone formation.

But Carmona said the main focus must be on preventing thinning bones, not on medication. "If we let it get that far, we probably missed the boat."

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## Malaria vaccine appears promising

BY THOMAS H. MAUGH II

Los Angeles Times

After more than two decades of research, researchers said Thursday that they have found the first vaccine that is effective against malaria. Trials in Africa showed that the vaccine blocked almost half of new infections in young children and reduced serious disease by nearly 60 percent.

Experts termed the results a major breakthrough in efforts to tame a disease that afflicts 400 million people each year, killing 1 million to 3 million — most of them children in Africa. Malaria is the leading killer of children under age 5 and ranks with AIDS and tuberculosis on the list of the world's most lethal diseases.

Researchers are not sure how long the vaccine's protection will persist, but even a partially effective vaccine will have great value in fighting a disease that is becoming increasingly resistant to the drugs most commonly used to treat it.

More trials are needed to confirm the vaccine's efficacy, particularly in the youngest children, who are most likely to die from infections. But it could be available for widespread use by 2010, experts said.

By that time, the World Health Organization predicts, half the world's population will be living in areas of high exposure to the disease, compared to 41 percent now.

Other potential malaria vaccines have been tested, "but we have never seen results like this before," said Dr. Pedro Alonso of the University of Barcelona, who headed the trial reported in this week's edition of the journal *Lancet*. The vaccine could make a major contribution to "breaking the cycle of disease and poverty that so badly affects sub-Saharan African countries," Alonso said.

Producing a malaria vaccine is considered the most urgent goal in controlling the disease, because it offers the safest, least expensive method. Antimalarial drugs such as Lariam, known generically as mefloquine, can be used to prevent infection by killing the parasite, but they are much more expensive, require regular use and can produce many undesirable side effects.

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# Paris club's name irks Indian's descendants

BY CARSON WALKER

The Associated Press

SIoux FALLS, South Dakota — Descendants of the storied American Indian warrior Crazy Horse want an upscale Paris strip club to stop using his name, saying it's disrespectful to him and his offspring.

The nightclub, Crazy Horse Paris, was established in 1951 and is well-known for adult entertainment similar to that featured at casinos in Las Vegas. It's located near the Champs-Élysées, the Seine River and the Pont de l'Alma bridge, where Lady Diana was killed.

Crazy Horse was an Oglala Sioux warrior known for fighting the U.S. military in the 1800s. One of his descendants and an executor of his estate, Harvey White Woman, has written club owners, asking that they change the name.

He said the request was prompted by an HBO cable television special that featured the club and its dancers wearing what looked to be feathered headdresses, a revered native symbol. "I saw the name and I said, 'That's not right.' When you say the name Crazy Horse, you don't conjure up nightclubs. You con-

jure up the warrior," he said in a telephone interview from his home in Kyle on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

White Woman said he decided to write the club before taking legal action, something Crazy Horse's descendants have done in the past.

In 1992, Hornell Brewing Co. of Brooklyn, New York, started bottling "The Original Crazy Horse Malt Liqueur." The family sued and the case has largely been settled because the company agreed to stop using the name and pay family members \$150,000, White Woman said.

Another case involves designer Liz Claiborne's Crazy Horse line of clothing.

White Woman said the family is less likely to succeed in stopping the use of that brand because it's not directly tied to native culture, as was the case with the beer — and apparently the nightclub.

Crazy Horse Paris is owned by the founder's three children, who did not want to comment, according to an e-mail from one of them, Sophie Bernadine. But its Internet site offers a history of the club, its show style — dubbed "art of the nude dance" — and how the late Aladin Bernadine



Oglala Sioux American Indian Alfred Red Cloud, a descendant of the famous American Indian warrior Crazy Horse, attends a festival in Vincennes, France, on Thursday. Descendants of Crazy Horse want the Paris "Crazy Horse Club" to stop using the warrior's name.

came up with the idea for the show more than 50 years ago.

"Bernadine was fascinated by the America of the cowboy saloons and the myth of the Far West," the site states. "Bernadine wanted to do something different, based on the idea of an American-style striptease."

White Woman said, "If it's being used as an attachment to the native culture, then that's when we can get them."

# Cirque du Soleil to replace Siegfried & Roy in Vegas

BY ADAM GOLDMAN

The Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — The Beatles are teaming up with Cirque du Soleil to create a theatrical production that will replace the legendary Siegfried & Roy act at The Mirage hotel-casino.

It is the first major theatrical partnership for The Beatles, whose musical archive has been carefully guarded for decades, said Neil Aspinall, managing director of the band's Apple Corps label.

The remaining members of the group, Paul McCartney and Ringo Starr, will help shape the production but will not appear in it.

Yoko Ono and Olivia Harrison, respective widows of late members John Lennon and George Harrison, also will collaborate.

The deal for the joint venture was reached this week between Cirque du Soleil, Apple and The Mirage, said Bill McBeath, the hotel-casino's president and chief operating officer. The yet-untilted show is expected to cost more than \$100 million and should be ready in 20 months, he said.

Aspinall said The Beatles had been approached with many theatrical proposals, but none offered the creativity and innovation for which Cirque du Soleil is regarded.

Cirque du Soleil — French for

circus of the sun — is known for its acrobatic performances that blend athleticism with music and artistry. More than 7 million people saw its shows around the world last year.

Other locations, like London, New York and Tokyo also were considered, but none could match the massive influx of tourists in Las Vegas, which is expected to top 37 million visitors this year, Aspinall said. A Las Vegas marriage with Cirque du Soleil was "too good of an opportunity to pass up," he said.

Another draw was The Mirage's commitment to building a new theater. McBeath said the facility, under construction since August, will hold about 2,000 people and offer 360-degree seating.

It replaces the theater that housed German illusionists Siegfried & Roy, who performed for about 13 years before Roy Horn was nearly killed Oct. 3, 2003, by one of his tigers. Since the mauling, The Mirage has been discussing its signature act.

Cirque du Soleil founder Guy Laliberte did not reveal much about the 90-minute Beatles show, other to say it would contain the Canadian company's famous acrobatics and be a celebration of Beatles music.

Laliberte said he began discussing the idea about 4½ years ago with George Harrison, who died of cancer in 2001.

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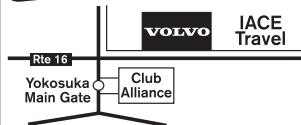
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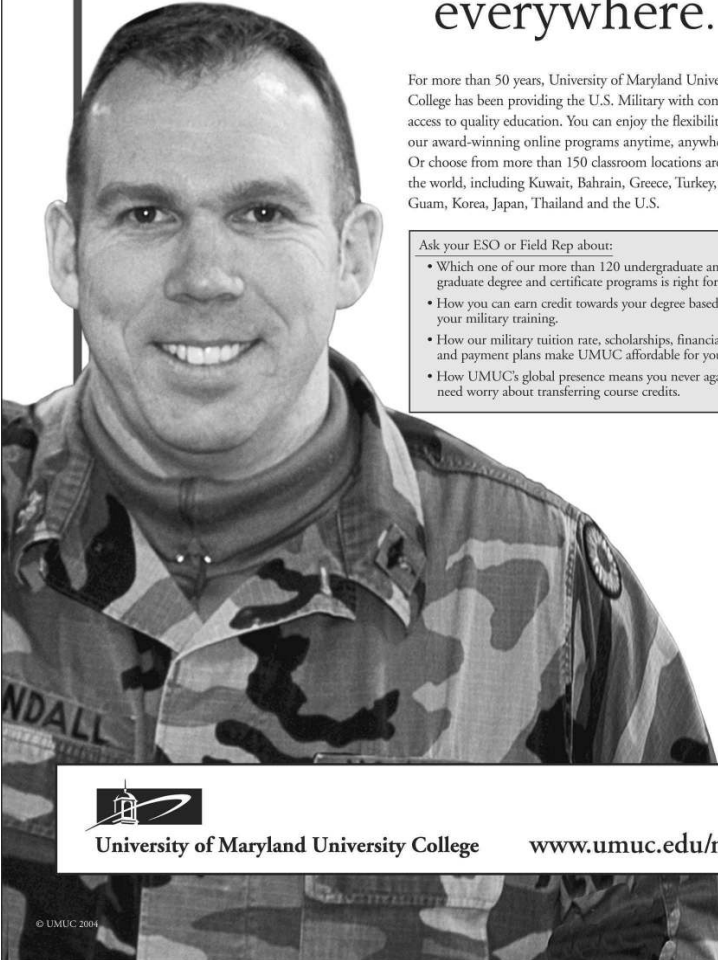
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## Testing 'moral fitness' tough

A basic tenet of command is: "Do not issue an order that is impossible to enforce."

Prohibiting the use of prostitutes by military members is one of them. It is a moral decision to use the services of such a person. We have analysis for drug use, Breathalyzer for alcohol use, HIV testing for HIV exposure, and any number of other tests to check our medical fitness.

Is there a test for moral fitness? What would the point of such a regulation be? We already have Article 134, which covers actions that are "prejudicial to good order and discipline." Can we not leave this up to the local commander to regulate through the use of "off limits" areas?

We as leaders have more to worry about in getting our soldiers ready to go into harm's way than by Pic. Snuffy (enr) not specific since there are male and female prostitutes goes out and spends \$50 to relieve some sexual stress from getting on a train/plane/boat to go into a danger area.

If you, as a unit commander, want to make bordellos and cathouses off limits to your soldiers, then that is your decision, based (hopefully) on an operational need, and not on a personal or moral agenda.

Sgt. Maj. James R. Winslow  
Kaiserslautern, Germany

## Don't use draft ever again

I am aware that freedom requires sacrifice, but to force someone to join the military against his or her will to go to combat is not the smartest idea ("Draft more fair than stop loss," letter, Oct. 11).

We tried [a draft] through Vietnam and it was a failure and should not be implemented ever again. I understand where the letter writer is coming from, but you cannot force someone to join the military [just] because we are stretched out.

I am a U.S. Marine and I still am, and I have been through a stop loss. I was

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upset, but I got through it and kept rolling. If we instituted a draft it would send the country into an uproar and there would be mothers, wives, fathers and husbands protesting that their son or daughter or spouse is forced to do military service.

It is up to the individual. I would rather have someone who has his or her heart in it rather than someone who does not, because that would get me killed. I would have a grieving mother to whom I could not say "I love you" one last time.

To answer the letter writer's question, yes, the defense of our nation is very important, and so is freedom of choice.

Marine Col. Ian K. Isaac  
Camp Udairi, Kuwait

## Hold press accountable

Well, it seems that all of a sudden the press gets caught being "misinformed," and we should give journalists a break? The press has been known throughout the centuries to cause wars and hatred, and we should give it a free pass? Maybe the world should treat the press just like

the world treated President Bush — burn Dan Rafter in effigy and call for his removal from power.

People make moves about President Bush's connections to wealth and power that are not true. They call into question his prior service to this country. People who he has fired write books telling the world he does bad business. Does anyone really have to give anyone from the press a free pass? There are times the press is more powerful than the president of the United States, and it should be held accountable.

According to the letter "Give Dan a break" (Sept. 26), we should give Rafter another chance because his misinformation "doesn't equate to the irreparable damage caused by the president's information." Maybe instead we should look more constructively at the mistakes, fix them and move on rather than just resorting to ridicule and upheaval — work with in the system to fix it. We are too busy worrying where the buck stops instead of fixing the problem.

We are more worried about who to blame than fixing the problem. Hear that, Congress? Hear that, liberals in Germany, and everywhere else that the Stars and Stripes reaches?

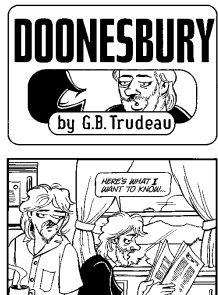
Petty Officer 1st Class Patrick O'Brien  
Camp Patriot, Kuwait

## A vote for Kerry

After [the first two debates between] the two [presidential] candidates, I am convinced that Sen. John Kerry is our man. All President Bush could do was repeat himself over and over. Just ask the Iraqi people, the Israelis, the Pakistanis and all our allies in the Middle East if the world is a safer place. If it were, then why are our soldiers still getting killed and maimed while Halliburton keeps getting richer?

I am a veteran of World War II, the Korean War and Vietnam. This time my vote will go to the veteran Kerry, who supports all of the legislation for military and retiree families.

Retired Sgt. Maj. Alexander J. Fiore  
Camp Darby, Illinois



## OPINION

## What newspapers are saying at home

The following editorial excerpts are selected from a cross section of newspapers throughout the United States. The editorials are provided by The Associated Press and other stateside syndicates.

A Stern test for satellite radio  
Chicago Tribune

Don't look now, but Howard Stern, of all people, has made everybody happy. [This month] the raunchy radio shock jock inked a multimillion-dollar deal to take his morning talk show from the broadcast airwaves to the fledgling medium of satellite radio.

Stern went to Sirius, the No. 2 satellite radio player behind the more-established XM. In a stroke, Sirius has become a weightier competitor, better equipped to pioneer a promising media technology. Wall Street sent Sirius shares up by 15 percent on the news. As Stern put it, "Sirius said to me, 'You're our Michael Jordan.'"

Now, for the sobering news: Sirius might not be able to afford Michael Jordan. XM and Sirius have lost tons of money as they have focused on gathering subscribers. To sign up, customers need to establish a special radio link in their home or car and pay a monthly fee for service. Despite its similarities to cable TV, it remains an unproven business model.

Get a college-aid education  
Star-Gazette, Elmira, N.Y.

If only parents and students would take the time, they would find thousands of dollars in aid available through the federal government. Yet a study by the American Council on Education indicates that moms, dads and their college-bound children are shortchanged of the aid. The aid forms contain two main misconceptions: middle-income families believe they make too much money to qualify for aid; and low-income families believe students need high SAT scores to qualify.

Those were some of the findings of the study that reached a number of startling conclusions, including that said the estimated \$50,000 low-income students were eligible for federal Pell Grants — free money — but failed to apply...

The point is nothing ventured, nothing gained. Families who are too lazy to fill out the forms or give up under the assumption they don't qualify could be throwing away a golden opportunity to afford a college education. It just doesn't make sense.

Hopefuls lack fiscal restraint  
Los Angeles Times

Here's one thing John Kerry and George W. Bush have in common: neither is sufficiently concerned about those growing federal deficits and the threat to the economy. Where is Ross Perot when we need him? Both candidates say they have a plan to halve the deficit over the next four years. But as experienced moderator Charles Gibson pointed out in [the candidates'] second debate, it's hard to see how Bush or Kerry would get us from here to there.

Bush deserves being singled out for getting us into this mess.

It's fair for him to point out that the recession and the war on terror were bound to render meaningless the long-term, multi-trillion-dollar surplus estimates that greeted him when he was sworn in. But he should be considered for kicking with ambitious tax cuts that were billed as a rebate of those surpluses, even as the plus signs vaporized. It is one of the more damaging examples of the administration's unwillingness to alter course in the face of altered circumstances...

The Kerry campaign cannot be capitalized on by the financial management as forcefully as it should, mainly because it has allowed its own wish list to get in the



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way of a clear pledge of fiscal responsibility. ... His deficit-halving plan ends up being as unrealistic as the president's...

Kerry and Bush are also equally guilty of not addressing the long-term viability of Social Security and Medicare. But to get candidates and voters to focus on doom-and-gloom projections, we may just have to call Perot back into the fray.

Plans need a shot in the arm  
The Seattle Post-Intelligencer

It's going to be a fine mess of a flu season. Maybe the recent inability to give influenza shots will shake the federal government into addressing America's dangerous weakness in its ability to assure vaccines to ward off a variety of illnesses.

The latest trouble occurred just as the flu season nears.

British officials shut down a Chiron Corp. plant over concerns about contamination, cutting off nearly half the vaccine doses for the United States this year.

Health authorities are asking most healthy people to refrain from vaccination so high-risk people get shots. Mandatory rationing should be imposed if necessary.

Britain's suspension of flu-shot deliveries caught U.S. health authorities by surprise. But these kinds of problems are becoming regular occurrences with many vaccines.

The breakdowns raise grave questions not just about America's ability to deal with routine preventable illnesses but also about preparedness for a flu pandemic or bioterrorist attack.

No-drift pledge betrays reality  
The Advocate, Baton Rouge, La.

President Bush and John Kerry are making political promises neither can guarantee when each vows there will be no military draft on his watch.

To do so is foolhardy at best...

Nobody can say with certainty that a new draft will not become necessary, nor should anyone rule out that option. The U.S. military is stretched, recruitment is lagging and nobody can predict the future.

None of us, including Bush and Kerry, knows what is going to happen in Iraq, Afghanistan, North Korea or Iran, among other places, during the next four years...

Reinstatement of a formal draft might already have become necessary were it not

for the Guard and reservist call-ups and involuntary enlistment extensions...

We are not advocating reinstatement of the draft, nor are we suggesting, as rumored in some quarters, there is a secret plan to revive the draft after the election.

We are saying it is disingenuous, dishonest, naive or foolish to rule out the possibility of a draft.

Reeve made our spirits soar  
Journal Star, Peoria, Ill.

Superman died [last] Sunday. No, not the comic action hero, but the real one, actor and activist Christopher Reeve. Reeve, who achieved fame by playing "Superman" in four movies, severed his spine and was paralyzed from the neck down in a horse-riding accident in 1995. Nine years of physical complications resulting from that injury eventually took their toll, as he went into cardiac arrest on Saturday, then lapsed into a coma. He was 52.

Though confined to a wheelchair and dependent on a respirator, the 6-foot-four-inch actor actually grew in stature following his injury. He continued to work and make movies. He lobbied Congress for improved insurance protection regarding catastrophic injury. He helped raise millions for research. Where there was no hope for people who suffered injuries like his, he regained sensation in some parts of his body, won back movement in a finger, learned to breathe on his own without the ventilator for short periods of time...

Most of all Reeve proved that life need not end with serious disability, that you can function with dignity, that you can continue to laugh and cry and love. This terrible thing happened to him, and yet he made the very, very best of it. Remember that the next time some minor irritation seems the end of the world.

And remember Christopher Reeve, a super man and an inspirational one.

Swing states can't swing costs  
The Post and Courier, Charleston, S.C.

President Bush and Sen. John Kerry are paying frequent visits to a dozen or so "battleground states" for obvious political reasons. Thus, they are virtually ignoring a major source of the primary cause of their either lure things or lose causes.

But don't lament this lack of attention too hastily.

From [Oct. 6] Wall Street Journal: "While the campaigns pay to rent party tents and halls, municipalities often get stuck with the bill for a variety of other costs, many related to security."

In Ohio, perhaps the most crucial "battleground" of all, several municipalities are suffering fiscal distress due to the seemingly relentless presence of Bush and Kerry. Cleveland, for instance, had already laid off 250 police officers in the past year as a result of a continuing budget squeeze...

Local officials in those beleaguered "battlegrounds" evidently lack confidence in pledges from the Bush and Kerry camps to eventually reimburse them for those expenses.

Perhaps voters should share that wariness as the two candidates offer assorted promises of new government largesse while offering little or no explanation of how they'll be funded. After all, taxpayers ultimately must pick up Washington's ever-escalating tab.

Just coasting until next storm  
Pensacola (Fla.) News Journal

As the rebuilding of our barrier islands and beaches begins, as always in the aftermath of a hurricane, it is time to reconsider how we build on these fragile coastal areas.

If we do what has always been done before, here and elsewhere, we will simply rebuild right up to the edge of the water. And we'll rebuild bigger, more-expensive homes and businesses.

That demonstrates a resilient spirit, but begs the important question: What happens if the next hurricane is worse? Or if, as scientists say, hurricanes are becoming more frequent?

One rational response by the federal and state governments would be to use [the Federal Emergency Management Agency] and other means to begin buying — at fair market prices — waterfront properties and losses on barrier islands and other areas prone to storm surges and the worst storm winds.

By slowly pulling back from the brink, future storms would do less property damage. That would hold down insurance losses (and thus premiums), reduce the cost of repairs to public infrastructure, and even allow restoration of the primary dune line on barrier islands, providing added future protection for areas north of the Gulf of Mexico shoreline.

## Shutdown urged

**NY** NEW YORK — Mayor Michael Bloomberg said he was urging the city's environmental agency to close down a Bronx smoked turkey plant that neighbors said emitted obnoxious fumes.

The LSK Smoked Turkey Products plant in the Parkchester section had been warned in July to get rid of the smells, Bloomberg said at a press conference. The plant processes whole turkeys, turkey parts and pork parts.

The company has paid thousands of dollars in fines for eight citations from the city Department of Environmental Protection since 2002, when it moved to the Bronx from Williamsburg, Brooklyn.

Neighbors described the odors as a mix of soap and burnt bacon.

## Free surgery offered

**TX** HOUSTON — A Houston surgery center has offered to donate a gastric bypass operation to a 420-pound boy who needs the procedure for a chance at a healthy life.

Obesity Surgery Specialists offered the surgery to Brandon Bennett, 16, after his health insurance declined to cover the procedure.

The surgery is scheduled for the first week of November.

Brandon had been set to have gastric bypass surgery at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston this month. That was canceled, however, when hospital officials learned that his insurance company did not cover the procedure.

The center contacted Brandon's family Tuesday after an article in the Houston Chronicle detailed his health problems.

## Hotel razing OK'd

**CA** LOS ANGELES — School officials narrowly approved a plan to demolish most of the landmark hotel where Robert F. Kennedy was assassinated in 1968 and build an education complex.

The Board of Education voted 4-3 to approve the \$318.2 million plan, which would preserve parts of the Embassy Ballroom, where Kennedy spoke after winning the California presidential primary. A panel will study whether the pany where Kennedy was shot by Sirhan Sirhan should be preserved.

## Teen found culpable

**IL** CALUMET CITY — A 16-year-old boy who tossed lit firecrackers into an elderly woman's home over the Independence Day weekend has been found culpable in her death.

A judge found the boy delinquent of involuntary manslaughter and arson, the equivalent in juvenile court of a criminal conviction.

He ordered the teen held in home confinement until the completion of a behavioral examination. The boy could be ordered held until his 21st birthday, said Tom Stanton, a spokesman for the Cook County state's attorney's office.

The firecrackers ignited cur-



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tains in 76-year-old Eleanor Moll's home and spread smoke throughout the residence, but Moll was able to call 911 before falling to the kitchen floor, police said.

## Artwork not pleasing

**TN** CHATTANOOGA — An excavation crew uncovered four, 8-foot-tall murals of Ku Klux Klansmen on hooded horses in a century-old downtown building, and the contractor decided to wash them away.

Claudio Costa ordered the murals of Klansmen carrying burning crosses pressure-washed from the upstairs walls of the building at the intersection of Market and Main streets.

The structure, known as the Clark Building, has been occupied since the late 1800s by furniture retailers, banks, feed stores and a rooming house.

Local historians said they had no interest in preserving the artwork.

## University renovation

**ND** GRAND FORKS — The University of North Dakota is celebrating its renovated Memorial Union during Homecoming week.

The \$4.7 million renovation includes a new open mall, a conven-

ience store, a coffee shop and Internet cafe. One hot spot is the Loading Dock, an informal pub-like space in the area where trucks once unloaded material for the school's bookstore.

## Mishap kills two

**PA** ALIQUIPPA — A dump truck backed over two construction workers, killing them, authorities said.

The two workers apparently did not hear the truck's warning signal or the shouts of a passing motorist over the noise of the work site, police said.

The driver, whose name was not released, did not see the workers, police said.

"You have a lot of noise at a construction site. You get immune to it," Aliquippa Police Chief Ralph Pallante said. "I think it was just a tragic accident."

## Groom gets transplant

**MI** DETROIT — This groom got two hearts on his wedding day.

Hours after his nuptials, Steven Dulka III was at Henry Ford Hospital for a transplant.

The scramble began shortly after noon when Dulka, 51, who had inflammation of the heart, got a call from the hospital's transplant coordinator: There was a heart for him, and he needed to come to the hospital immediately.

"He and bride Deidre Jacoboni, 52, quickly called the chapel to move the wedding time up by an hour, then recruited a few friends to help them alert the guests.

Immediately afterward, the Dulka sped to the hospital.

## Nixing development

**SC** BEAUFORT — Beaufort County paid \$311,250 for 69 acres adjoining the Marine Corps Air Station to protect the land from development. The Department of Defense will reimburse the county half the cost. A Marine Corps spokesman says Beaufort hopes to avoid the problems at Oceana Naval Air Station in Virginia Beach, Va., where development has interfered with pilot training.

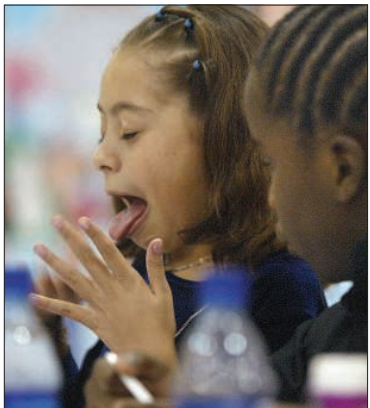
## Flu shot alternative

**MN** FERGUS FALLS — People who went to a local clinic to get a flu shot didn't receive the vaccine they wanted. Instead, they received an old-fashioned remedy.

The estimated 20 people who went to the flu shot clinic at Affinity Plus Federal Credit Union were sent home with a can of chicken soup and a pack of tissues.

Nick Mariotti, the branch supervisor, said the idea started out as a joke when he and his staff learned they had to cancel the clinic because of the nationwide shortage of flu vaccines.

Mariotti decided to buy a case of Campbell's chicken noodle soup and a bunch of tissues. He said the workers "kept them at the front desk, so when people walked in for the flu shot clinic, we could break the news lightly."



**Yuck!** Donavon Montgomery, 9, right, watches as Alma Mariscal, 10, shows her disapproval for a cup of mixed fruit applesauce during a taste test of lunch foods at Meadowbrook Elementary School in east Fort Worth, Texas.



## Dust rises at Crazy Horse

A cloud of dust rises following a blast that ended the Native American Day program at Crazy Horse Memorial near Custer, S.D.



## Seasonal workout

A women's rowing team is seen through fall foliage as they practice on Carnegie Lake in Princeton Township, N.J.

## Awesome sight

In this partial solar eclipse, the moon starts its pass between the Earth and the Sun, as seen from the Makaha Valley on the west side of Oahu, Hawaii, before sunset.





More than just peanuts

Elephants from Ringling Brothers Barnum & Bailey circus eat their lunch in the North End neighborhood in Boston.



Colorful demolition

Workers continue to dismantle the Heart of Durham hotel in Durham, N.C. The hotel, vacant for more than a decade, is being demolished to make way for the new Durham transit station.

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Dual landing

A pair of wood storks come in for a landing in the flats of the St. Marks Wildlife Refuge in Panama, Fla. The wood stork is on the endangered species list.



Peaceful morning

A horse basking in the morning sunshine grazes underneath a palette of color in Wilmington, N.Y.

## Online divorce

**NE** LINCOLN — Couples seeking a separation can go online for forms for a so-called "simple divorce" that doesn't involve children and much significant property. Nebraska judges and attorneys developed the forms to help people who can't afford an attorney. The State Bar Association opposes the idea. Divorce attorneys believe there's no such thing as a simple divorce.

## Hunter back in action

**ME** LEWISTON — A few months ago, it didn't look as if Junior "Bert" LaBrecque would get to hunt this fall. He broke his back in a fall in May and doctors didn't expect him to walk for two years.

LaBrecque was back on his feet sooner than expected, and the 64-year-old Lewiston man shot a moose weighing more than 800 pounds is considered large in Maine.

Experts estimate the animal shot by the LaBrecque weighed 1,300 pounds before it was dressed. The antler spread was 53 inches.

## Arizona, Iraq connection

**AZ** PHOENIX — The Arizona auditorium that served as the site of the final presidential debate once was envisioned for a very different and very relevant location: Baghdad. Famed architect Frank Lloyd Wright drew up plans for an opera house in Baghdad in 1957, but the assassination of the Iraqi king a year later halted the project. Wright, however, revived the design for Grady Gammage Memorial Auditorium — the site of the third presidential debate at Arizona State University in Tempe.

The auditorium was one of Wright's last projects before his death in 1959, and taking the original designs for the Iraqi building made sense in Arizona, said John Rattenbury, the project architect for the auditorium and one of Wright's students.

## Robbers show their faces

**WA** EVERETT — The security videotape shows it all — two masked men breaking into a store and loading a cash machine onto a truck. Then they made a fateful mistake: Taking off their masks and looking directly at the camera.

Video images from the heist at Dollar Update were released by the Snohomish County sheriff's office, eight days after the robbery. There was no immediate explanation for the delay, and no arrests were immediately reported.

The glass front door was found broken, and tape retrieved from motion-sensitive video cameras showed a small, white pickup backing up to the front door and the driver getting out. He and another man broke the door, pushed the automatic teller machine outside and loaded it onto the truck.

## Defending dorns

**AL** TUSCALOOSA — University of Alabama President

Robert Witt says a live on-campus require freshmen to new campus beginning in 2006 is meant to improve academics, not help fund new dorms. Last week trustees approved \$36.5 million to build three four-story residence halls, to be ready by August 2005, and a community building. Witt says on-campus students perform better academically.

## Lower tolls tested

**OH** MAUMEE — The state trial in February of lower tolls for commercial big rigs using the Ohio Turnpike. It wants to move trucks off overloaded two-lane roads near, Gov. Bob Taft said. The toll will drop from \$42.45 to \$31 for big trucks crossing the state on Interstate 80. Tolls for cars will remain the same.

## Rise in female addicts

**MT** GREAT FALLS — Women make up a growing percentage of people being treated for methamphetamine addiction in Montana, state health figures show. Statistics show that women made up 49 percent of the patients treated in Montana for a primary addiction to methamphetamine in fiscal 2004, which ended last June 30. Women represent a much smaller percentage of those treated for alcohol and marijuana abuse, officials say.

## Nap alleged at work

**MA** PLYMOUTH — The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is investigating a report that a senior reactor operator fell asleep in the control room at Pilgrim Nuclear Station.

The NRC, which said the incident was brought to the federal agency's attention in August, notified plant officials about the incident. Plant officials subsequently suspended the entire crew that worked the shift on the night in question, June 29, and the napping operator and a co-worker who took his picture sleeping with a cell phone camera were let go.

"The operator's nap was brief, and never posed a threat to the public," said the NRC, which was notified of the incident by a third party.

## Green for green

**CA** CATHEDRAL CITY — Residents ripping out lawns here are still seeing green.

The city is kicking in up to \$500 to some homeowners who replace turf with low-water desert landscaping. The reimbursement program is available to people in the Panorama neighborhood where broken sprinklers and standing water are a problem.

The city set aside \$30,000 from a pool of money it gets from the state to promote conservation, city environmental conservation manager Deanna Pressgrove said.

Resident Shilo Herring has already uprooted grass in his front yard and installed desert plants.

"It is just so time-consuming. Trimming and mowing and watering, and then you do it all over again," said Herring, who is applying to the city for \$500 in reimbursements for converting to a desert-friendly, low-water landscape.

Stories and photos from wire services.

## YOUR MONEY

## Emergency highlights need to know insurance

Susie Besaw, from the book *"The Savvy Sailor's Spouse,"* is new to the military lifestyle but is eager to learn more about how to manage her family and her new lifestyle through the monthly Family Readiness Group meetings of her husband, Jake, the new command. Last week, Cmdr. Brown talked about estate planning.

On a Friday morning, my head was still spinning from the FSG meeting. I woke up, washed my face and started my morning routine before taking Jake to work. Jake was already downstairs in his uniform having breakfast and had already made my four-pump waffle breakfast for me.

After I dropped Jake off at the base, I headed back home.

Driving up the cul-de-sac, I saw Maggie was sprawled on the front yard holding her ankle. It looked as if she sprained her ankle on the step taking out the trash.

I parked the car and ran over to her. "What can I do?" I asked.

"Order me a new right ankle... Oh my gosh! It hurts," she replied. "I guess I won't be riding my bike for awhile. Can you help me back up in the house? I'll need to break out my Ace Bandage and put some

ice on this thing. Then I'll need to call SMHS for an appointment with my doc. Any chance you could give me and little Jimmy a ride if the doc is available?"

"Sure," I replied, "whatever you need. Where's SMHS?"

"Sierra Military Health Services," she replied. "They coordinate Tricare."

I was still confused about what she was talking about, but let it go and helped Maggie up and into her house. We called SMHS at 1-888-999-5195. Her doctor had an appointment available at 11 a.m.

At 10:30, I loaded Maggie in the front seat of her car and put Jimmy, Maggie's 5-year-old son, in his car seat in the back.

As we drove, Maggie worried about not being able to take care of her home and Jimmy with a busted ankle. We talked about how all the never-ending responsibilities of running a home and raising a child required two good ankles. It made me think we sometimes take our good arrivals for granted.

We arrived at the hospital 20 minutes

later. The doctor's office was on the second floor. I parked the car in the loading zone and grabbed a wheelchair in the lobby to bring Maggie in. Jimmy rode in her lap to the elevator, having way too much fun at his mom's expense. A gentleman took over for me and took both of them up to the office while I parked the car.

When I arrived in the doctor's office, the waiting room was packed. Maggie and Jimmy were playing in the kid's corner. I sat next to her and picked up a copy of "Green Eggs and Ham."

"How are you doing, neighbor?" I asked, putting my hand on her shoulder.

"Been better, thanks," she replied. "Thanks again for driving us. When I was lying there on the floor, I started to stress out."

"You could help me with something," I said. "How does the military medical care thing work? It hit me when I was helping you back into the house. I realized I don't know much at all. I used to be on my parent's policy, and then after I married Jake, I just remember him saying I needed my

ID card if I ever needed to be treated. That's about it.

"I also remember they told me at NEX that I didn't qualify for their medical plan because I was working fewer than 30 hours per week. I didn't think twice about that because I figured I was covered by the Navy."

"OK," Maggie said. "I can give you the basics, but you'll learn more from our annual Tricare presentation at the next Family Readiness Group meeting."

"Tricare?" I asked.

"Tricare is the military's health insurance," she replied.

About that time a medical assistant came out and called Maggie.

Next week, Susie learns about Tricare.

Copies of Ralph Nelson's books — "The Savvy Sailor" and "The Savvy Naval Officer" — can be purchased by writing to: Master Plan Inc., 500 N. Washington St., P.O. Box 10071, Rockville, MD 20849 or online at [www.savvyonweb.com](http://www.savvyonweb.com). This article is written and the book is sold with the understanding that neither the author nor Stars and Stripes are professional financial advisers. If you need advice, please seek professional assistance. The author specifically disclaims any liability, loss or risk — personal or otherwise — incurred as a consequence, directly or indirectly, of using or applying any of the information contained in this article or the book. E-mail for feedback: [finance@stripes.osd.mil](mailto:finance@stripes.osd.mil)

## Money U.



Ralph Nelson

## Prices don't spook Halloween revelers

## Consumers going all out for fright

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Halloween is the new Christmas.

It's growing faster, too, in terms of consumer spending. Christmas sales will be 4.5 percent higher this year than last, experts predict, while sales of Halloween goods will be up 5.4 percent. The National Retail Federation reckons that Americans will pay a record \$3 billion-plus this season on Halloween items such as hairy spiders, blow-up Draculas and plastic maggot that glow in the dark.

Sound spooky? Kathy Crawford thinks so, but in a good way. She's a manager at the Halloween Club, a store open year-round in Santa Fe Springs, Calif., that sells an immense array of pricey props, including a skeleton impaled on a pointed post, a fake dog that lunges from its doghouse as if to rip your head off and an "industrial wood chopper" with legs poking out one end and "flesh" and "blood" dripping from the other that goes for \$2,950.

"Look at the prices — people buy this stuff," said Crawford, who is greeted by waiting customers when she shows up for work on weekends. "This year, they're going all out."

Increasingly, adults have been elbowing children out of the way to claim the creepiest holiday as their own. The trend will be pushed to the limit this Halloween because it falls on a Sunday, so the partying can start on Friday and continue throughout the weekend.

Nearly 60 percent of Americans will participate in the holiday this year and 56 percent of them will don costumes,

according to a poll conducted by shopping center owner Macerich Co. in Santa Monica, Calif. Roughly 21 percent of the respondents said they planned to outfit their pets.

"It's not one night out of the week anymore," said Scott Krugman, spokesman for the National Retail Federation, the industry's largest trade group. "It's like a monthlong celebration."

Halloween, which started out centuries ago as a festival for the dead, has reinvented itself over the years in the United States. In the early 1800s, it revolved around homey games and roasting nuts. By the end of that century, young people were taking the celebration into the streets, soaping windows and twisting street signs.

In the 1900s, schools, rotary clubs and philanthropic organizations joined forces to try to instill some discipline. "It seemed as though it was tame by the late '40s and '50s, when trick-or-treating began," said Nick Rogers, a professor of history at York University in Toronto and author of "Halloween, From Pagan Ritual to Party Night."

Then adults began to see new opportunities for revelry, devising their own ways of celebrating and decorating. "What you've got by the 1970s or '80s is a more diverse Halloween," Rogers said, "and a more commercial one."

Now, Halloween is a consuming free-for-all fueled by marketing and, according to social scientists, a desire to escape and the urge to have fun. Especially since Sept. 11, 2001, it has for some become a way to take a sledgehammer to pervasive fears about terrorism.

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Donovan Gorham, 3, shows his mom a Halloween character at Spirit Halloween Superstore in Fresno, Calif., on Wednesday. Halloween spending will be up 5.4 percent this year, experts predict.

# YOUR MONEY

## Halloween: Retailers say holiday 'has just exploded'

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"The culture has lived with the threat of terror over the last few years and I think Halloween, in that context, may really have taken on greater significance," said Glen Sparks, a communications professor at Purdue University who studies people's reaction to horrific images.

"It's a holiday that gives people a chance to control the things that they are scared of."

Barbara Sky has it down to a science. The 56-year-old construction company owner decorates her home in San Bernardino, Calif., to the hilt every October and invites as many as 100 children, and some adults, to celebrate. Her front yard is filled with pumpkins, a Frankenstein's monster, an animated witch and a slew of skeletons, and the back yard is a cemetery littered with coffins and hands and feet crawling up from the earth.

Initially, Sky spent about \$1,000 a year as she collected props and decorations, but she's since pared her annual expenditure to less than half that. "The initial shock's over, because you use the same things" every year, she said.

For some Americans, Halloween outlays of hundreds of dollars

aren't out of this world. And the experts say they're getting more for their money. The rising demand for life-size witches, mummies and skeleton brides holding dark bouquets means manufacturers are making more of them — usually in other countries — which has caused the prices to drop. Morris Costumes Inc. in Charlotte, N.C., began shipping "affordable" costumes this year, for \$74.95, Vice President Amy Morris said. On the other hand, it also sells a "Creepy the clown" for \$65.00.

"Halloween has just exploded," said Babloo Sawhney, vice president of First Imperial Trading Inc. in City of Commerce, which ships to 3,000 retailers throughout the country and also owns the Halloween Club. "More and more consumers want bigger props at better value."

It's all good news for merchants for whom Halloween has become an increasingly important bridge between the crucial back-to-school and Christmas shopping seasons. Specialty stores are sharing the benefits with a wide range of others, including discounters, drugstores, grocers and even hardware stores.

The Orchard Supply Hardware chain expects sales of Halloween goods to increase 25 percent this



Pumpkins depicting President Bush, left, and his Democratic challenger, Sen. John Kerry, are seen below another pumpkin depicting the White House on Wednesday at a carved pumpkin show in Salem, N.H. Halloween's popularity and holiday spending, have surged. Americans will spend a record \$3 billion-plus this year on Halloween-related items.

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season. Its Pasadena, Calif., total ordered some 50 "grim reapers" — an ugly face perched atop a black cloak that goes for \$21.99 — and sold out by the end of September.

"People really get into Halloween," said Kathy Sweeney, a spokeswoman for the hardware chain. "They just keep adding to

the collection, kind of like you do with Christmas; you keep adding to your ornaments, and the scarier the better."

Chris Sarvis surveyed costumes recently at the seasonal store Halloween Illusions in Westminster, Calif. The 26-year-old safety consultant looked serious as he pondered the prospect of be-

coming a pirate, wearing a bear cowboy, wizard and Mormon missionary on prior Halloweens.

Adults dress up to "reclaim a portion of our childhood, just for a few hours," the Huntington Beach, Calif., resident said. Or, he added with a slight smile, "It might just be an excuse to find a place and have a good time."

### THURSDAY'S MARKET SUMMARY

INDEXES									
52-week	Low	High	Name	Last	Net	%	YTD	%	%
10,553.65	9,691.72	10,553.65	Dow Jones Industrial	9,894.45	-112.55	-1.16	+5.31	+1.25	
3,389.20	2,743.46	3,389.20	Dow Jones Transportation	3,302.90	+20.47	+0.62	+9.84	+1.08	
1,822.22	1,412.35	1,822.22	Dow Jones Utilities	1,799.13	+23.09	+1.28	+8.56	+1.14	
6,798.12	5,812.25	6,798.12	NASDAQ Composite	6,515.10	-40.43	-0.62	+1.18	+0.47	
1,291.19	1,014.86	1,291.19	AMEX Index	1,277.13	-44.31	+3.48	+8.86	+2.50	
2,393.33	1,754.62	2,393.33	Russell 2000	2,300.02	-17.31	-0.75	+0.80	-0.42	
1,153.23	1,018.32	1,153.23	S&P 500	1,103.29	-10.36	-0.93	+7.87	+0.57	
618.84	520.11	618.84	S&P MidCap	583.00	-44.11	-7.59	+7.21	+7.29	
566.42	503.88	566.42	Russell 2000	564.88	-5.44	-0.97	+1.43	+0.65	
11,171.14	9,896.09	11,171.14	DJ Wilshire 5000	10,786.48	-382.63	-3.58	+1.16	+0.56	

NYSE					AMEX					NASDAQ				
Most Active (\$1 or more)					Most Active (\$1 or more)					Most Active (\$1 or more)				
Name	Vol	Net	Chg	%	Name	Vol	Net	Chg	%	Name	Vol	Net	Chg	%
Amgen	480,429	60.88	+1.18	+1.95	Amgen	480,429	60.88	+1.18	+1.95	Amgen	480,429	60.88	+1.18	+1.95
Microsoft	426,363	34.85	-11.38	-32.37	Microsoft	426,363	34.85	-11.38	-32.37	Microsoft	426,363	34.85	-11.38	-32.37
Alcoa	209,882	29.08	-0.47	-1.58	Alcoa	209,882	29.08	-0.47	-1.58	Alcoa	209,882	29.08	-0.47	-1.58
Johnson & Johnson	111,127	61.12	+0.12	+0.20	Johnson & Johnson	111,127	61.12	+0.12	+0.20	Johnson & Johnson	111,127	61.12	+0.12	+0.20
Capgemini	24,817	73.22	-0.11	-0.15	Capgemini	24,817	73.22	-0.11	-0.15	Capgemini	24,817	73.22	-0.11	-0.15
United Therapeutics	10,447	42.28	+2.28	+5.63	United Therapeutics	10,447	42.28	+2.28	+5.63	United Therapeutics	10,447	42.28	+2.28	+5.63
Citigroup	19,976	43.19	-0.41	-0.93	Citigroup	19,976	43.19	-0.41	-0.93	Citigroup	19,976	43.19	-0.41	-0.93
Novartis	19,976	43.19	-0.41	-0.93	Novartis	19,976	43.19	-0.41	-0.93	Novartis	19,976	43.19	-0.41	-0.93
Aer Corp	13,969	23.18	-4.44	-19.57	Aer Corp	13,969	23.18	-4.44	-19.57	Aer Corp	13,969	23.18	-4.44	-19.57

KEY DEFENSE STOCKS					KEY MUTUAL FUNDS				
Name	Vol	PE	Last	YTD %	Name	Vol	NAV	Last	YTD %
Atlantic Technology	-	14	56.75	-48.17	Fidelity Investor - Global	35.52	-34.4	-	+9.58
BioCryst	-	16	16.25	-48.17	Fidelity Advisor - Tech	26.52	-34.4	-	+9.58
Engineered Systems	-	10	16.25	-48.17	Amer Century Int'l Ultra	26.52	-34.4	-	+9.58
Lockwood Martin	-	10	16.25	-48.17	Fidelity Advisor - Tech	26.52	-34.4	-	+9.58
Reliance Securities	-	14	16.25	-48.17	Putnam Funds & Global	17.72	-34.4	-	+9.58
General Electric	-	10	16.25	-48.17	Fidelity Advisor - Tech	26.52	-34.4	-	+9.58
Lockwood Martin	-	10	16.25	-48.17	Putnam Funds & Global	26.52	-34.4	-	+9.58
Harris Corp	-	10	16.25	-48.17	Fidelity Temp/Freq & Cntr/Cntr	26.52	-34.4	-	+9.58
Lockwood Martin	-	10	16.25	-48.17	Putnam Funds & Global	26.52	-34.4	-	+9.58
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### JAPAN - KANTO

#### EAGLE 810

##### Morning (Sun)

7:50 Religious Programming  
9:00 Eagle 810 Sunday Brunch (Smooth Jazz)

##### Afternoon

12:00 American Country Countdown  
4:00 A Prairie Home Companion

##### Evening

6:00 Focus on the Family  
6:30 Travel Radio  
7:00 Dr. Laura  
8:00 Beale Street Caravan

##### Afternoon

12:00 Pure Gold (Oldies)  
12:00 2-Rock (Alternative/Mon-Fri)

##### Evening

2:00 Sports Overnight America  
10:00 NPR's Talk of the Nation Live (Tue-Fri)  
4:00 NPR On the Media (Mon)  
5:00 Live from Earth (Mon)

##### Morning (Mon-Fri)

6:00 Eagle 810 Morning Show (Contemporary Hits)  
7:00 Paul Harvey News and Commentary  
7:20 Pacific Report  
7:24 Paul Harvey Rest of the Story  
7:28 Eagle 810 News  
7:50 Zama Commander's Corner (1st Friday)  
Yokota Commander's Corner (2nd & 4th Friday)  
Yokota/USFJ Chiefs' Corner (3rd Friday)  
8:00 Radio Cafe (75s, 80s, 90s)

##### Afternoon

12:25 Pacific Report  
12:57 Paul Harvey News and Commentary  
12:21 Air Force Radio News  
1:00 Top 40 Music  
3:00 Traffic Jam (Current Chart Hits)  
4:25 Pacific Report  
4:27 AFN Sportspage  
4:42 Paul Harvey Rest of the Story

##### Evening

6:00 From the Bench Live Sports (Wed)  
7:00 NPR's Morning Edition Live  
Yokota Commander's Corner (1st & 3rd Thursday)  
8:00 Radio Cafe  
9:00 The Touch: On/Off Mon/Country; Tue/Pop; Wed/Classic Rock; Thu/Classic Rock; Fri/Classic Rock

##### Afternoon

12:00 2-Rock (Alternative)  
2:00 Sports Overnight America  
10:00 NPR's Talk of the Nation Live

##### Morning (Sat)

6:00 NPR's All Things Considered LIVE  
8:00 Star Talk  
9:00 Kim Komando  
9:00 Classic Rock  
10:00 Classic Rock  
10:00 Hot AC

##### Afternoon

12:00 Rick Dees Weekly Top 40  
6:00 Hot Jazz (Alternative)  
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8:00 Rush Limbaugh  
9:00 Parent's Journal  
10:00 Chef's Table  
11:00 Sports Overnight America

##### Evening

6:00 Adult Rock  
6:00 Pure Gold (Oldies)  
7:00 Hot AC  
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10:00 The Touch (Oldies)  
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3:00 Pure Gold (Oldies)  
4:00 Sports Overnight America  
6:00 Morning Air Strike  
6:30 Paul Harvey News  
7:10 Horoscope  
7:30 Inside Inevitable Radio News  
8:00 Rest of the Story  
8:35 David Letterman/Leno  
9:00 Country Call  
9:30 Bright AC/Golden Oldies (Fri)  
11:00 Urban Assault

##### Afternoon

1:00 2-Rock/Golden Oldies (Fri)  
2:00 The Afterburner  
2:30 Inside Inevitable Radio News  
2:34 Rest of the Story  
2:38 Pacific Report  
3:30 Paul Harvey News  
4:00 AFN Sportspage  
4:00 Departure Time

##### Evening

6:00 NPR's First Air  
7:00 The Rock Show (Mon/Old School)  
7:30 The Touch (Fri)  
8:00 The Rock Show (Fri)  
9:00 Country  
9:00 Top 40 Music  
3:00 Traffic Jam (Current Chart Hits)  
4:25 Pacific Report  
4:27 AFN Sportspage  
4:42 Paul Harvey Rest of the Story

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9:00 Hot AC  
10:00 Classic Rock  
12:00 Classic Rock  
4:00 Sports Overnight America  
5:00 Rush Limbaugh  
6:00 Country  
11:00 90s R&B  
10:00 Hot AC

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##### Evening

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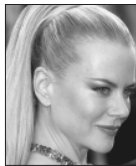


Fresh off an ugly divorce, Halle Berry's been seen in the arms of a younger man.

**Q** Is it true that Halle Berry, who's embroiled in a messy divorce from Eric Benet, already hooked up with someone new? — Suzanne Dunn, Akron, Ohio  
**A** It sure looks that way. Despite vows to proceed with caution in her love life, Halle, 38, has gone full speed ahead into an affair with "Barbershop" star Michael Ealy, 31. They met on the set of the upcoming ABC film "Their Eyes Were Watching God" and have been seen canoodling in public. Given Halle's record of romantic disappointments, we suggest she put on the brakes.

**Q** John Fowles, who wrote "The French Lieutenant's Woman," is one of my favorite authors. Is he still alive? — D. Krantz, Buffalo, N.Y.  
**A** The British author is alive and well at 78. He published his diaries, "The Journals: Volume 1," last year in Britain. They'll be out in the United States next summer. No word on when Volume 2 is due.

**Q** I see that Bob Goen is out and Mark Steines is in at "Entertainment Tonight." How come? — Yolanda Hardman, Bowie, Md.  
**A** Goen hardly can be called a senior citizen at 49, but he's nine years older than Steines — a significant age difference in the world of TV entertainment newsmagazines. We assume the producers of "ET" were concerned that Bob's pairing with 53-year-old Mary Hart was costing the show its young target audience. With Bob gone, can Mary be far behind?



Kidman: Not yet a legend.

**Q** My husband and I saw a recent video by Ayman al-Zawahiri, the No. 2 man in al-Qaida. My husband says there is always a coded message embedded in these al-Qaida videos. I say he's paranoid. Who's right? — Barb Dubin, N.Y.  
**A** Your husband isn't paranoid. Intelligence agencies have long suspected that al-Qaida videos contain secret signals alerting terrorist groups to take certain actions. But no one has been able to prove that the tilt of al-Zawahiri's turban or the placement of his rifle really conveys a hidden message.



R&B singer Usher, who is worth \$35 million, has the bucks to back his bling — and his face on a credit card.

**Q** I hear that R&B artist Usher spends money like it's going out of style. Can he afford it? — Donna Ward, Newton, Mass.  
**A** You bet. Usher Raymond IV, 26, is worth around \$35 million. His latest CD, "Confessions," sold 1.1 million copies in its first week. Usher's extravaganzas include a \$5-carat diamond pinky ring and a 400-diamond necklace. A debit card with Usher's picture was just issued for his loyal fans. Maybe he'll pick up their tab too.

**Q** Jude Law left his wife of six years, Sadie Frost, for Sienna Miller. How did these two lovebirds meet? — Anna M., Madison, Wis.  
**A** While casting "Alfie," a remake of the 1966 Michael Caine film classic. But Sienna, 22, didn't break up the marriage, which already was headed for divorce. If Jude, 31, is anything like the cad he plays in "Alfie," opening stateside on Friday, we wonder how long this romance will last.



Jude Law might be taking his "Alfie" role a bit too far.

**Q** Geraldine Ferraro was battling multiple myeloma a few years back. How is she doing now? — Diana Gavin, Waukesha, Wis.  
**A** "I'm fine," the 1984 vice presidential candidate tells us. "But I had a few medical blips over the last year, when the drug I was on stopped working." Happily, Ferraro, 69, found a newly approved drug for her rare form of blood cancer. "It restored my energy," she says. We wish her well.

**Q** Your item on Minnie Driver lip-synching in "Phantom" made me wonder: Did Deborah Kerr really sing in "The King and I"? — J. Seidel, Grand Blanc, Mich.  
**A** No. That was Marni Nixon, who dubbed the vocals for many leading ladies of that era, including Natalie Wood in "West Side Story" and Audrey Hepburn in "My Fair Lady." At 74, Marni still enjoys a busy career as a singer and voice coach in New York.

## Sunday Horoscope

The Sagittarius moon tickles the emotions with curiosity. It's a big world out there, and when you stop and think about it, your own vision of it is extremely limited. Use these last days of the Uranian solar influence to bond with friends in the exploration of the many worlds that interest you now. Ask a question that never occurred to you to ask before.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (October 17).** You know more about how to feel fulfilled and as a result will find many satisfying ways to spend your time this year. Many people are affected by the difference you make. November brings romance galore. You're especially compatible with Aries and Cancer. Work gets more challenging in January, and you'll have to educate yourself in preparation.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** You're presented with so-called shortcuts, but the only way to get full enjoyment out of an activity is to do it right, top to bottom. The after-noon brings dreamy lethargy. Why fight it when you really do need some rest?

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** You're coming from a place of kindness in all you do today. In fact, you're perfect in the way you deal with others. So take nothing personal. A friend has problems and may just want to be left alone for a while.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** You deserve more support but can't expect this from people who are unreasonable by nature. When you seek understanding elsewhere, a rather wonderful, lasting change for the better will come about.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Change up your living space, and you'll look at your environment in a whole new way. This casa nirvana spreads to other areas of your life, especially your finances, which means as you get more organized.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** When you focus on the problems that's what you'll see. Why go there when there's so much praise and

good tidings coming from those around you? Spending intense time with a Scorpio or Virgo can change your life.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).**

You're a fabulous performer, so believe it. Friendships come and go. Some are lifelong; others are a few hours of kinship. Try your best to let relationships develop naturally. Holding on too tightly is a waste of energy.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).**

By volunteering to help others, you send yourself into a positive karmic cycle that continues rolling all week. Commitment issues may come up. A brief and to-the-point talk is better than trying to have a prolonged heart to heart.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).**

You're lucky when you just show up. You could even win a prize. Take a break each evening and get important thinking done. If you need another perspective, a Capricorn helps you see the big picture.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).**

You may feel very high school-ish regarding to relationships. It is so wrong to want to be accepted by the "popular crowd"? But do consider why you might be putting certain people on a pedestal.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).**

Worrying matters are dropped, not because they are completely solved but because more important challenges call you to act. You're a pro at creating a refreshing air, but tonight's encounter brings your guard down.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).**

The social scene is buzzing, but do beware: If you listen too much to your friends, you'll get caught up in a line of reasoning that, when all is said and done, doesn't make a lick of sense. Think for yourself.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).**

Relationships get deeper, broader and stronger. Friends band together for a common cause, like a ride to the airport or splitting the cost of a meal. The fun is more than you could put a price on.

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## Stomping down the house

"The audience brought the house down" — I know it refers to wildly enthusiastic applause, but I was wondering whether it originated in some sort of house literally having been "brought down" — and if so, why it's "bring down" or "some such" and why "house" for "theater"?

As far as we know, no "house" was ever really brought down by "a fur of laughter or applause."

While "bring down" does have to do with ring the sense of "cause a building to fall down" — typically, nowadays, what we "bring down" is something we shoot down.

And, lest you think it's rather absurd to imagine that mere applause could bring down a building, don't think "clapping" — think foot stamping. We've been able to trace the expression (which can be either "bring the house down" or "bring down the house") back as far as 1739.

So there you have it — the audience members aren't clapping; they are stamping their feet. Audiences are still known to do. As to "house" for "theater," that use goes back to at least the 1660s.

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## Boyfriend's carefree attitude on public nudity alarms woman

**Dear Abby:** six months ago, I met a great guy I'll call Joe. Things have gotten serious and we have discussed living together. A couple of weeks ago, Joe spent the weekend at my place.

When I got up to prepare breakfast, I was shocked to see him walk through my front door after retrieving my newspaper — stark naked.

I live in a wooded area with few neighbors. Joe had to stroll down a long private driveway up to the public street to get the paper. Everyone could have seen him. There are little kids in the neighborhood. To top things off, it was chilly outside and raining.

I asked Joe why he went outside naked in the rain, and he tried to shrug it off as no big deal. He replied, "I didn't want to get my clothes wet."

I haven't been able to think about anything else for days. I'm considering breaking up with him over this. Joe seems perfect in every other way. He's handsome, successful and even-tempered. I live in a small town and he has my reputation by being in a relationship with the local flasher. He thinks I'm making a big deal out of something inno-

cent. What should I do?

**Mortified in Minnesota**

**Dear Mortified:** First of all, count your blessings. I know a court in Minnesota who likes to have naked in the snow. He says he gets a closer shave that way. Of course, he hasn't caught pneumonia yet or been reported to the police — and his wife is open-minded.

Because you live in a secluded area, it's possible your friend didn't realize he could be seen by anyone — young or old. Put him on notice that when he's at your house, he is not to go outside *au naturel*. If he respects your feelings, he'll abide by your wishes. If he doesn't, Nature Boy is not the man for you — and could be courting a "close shave" with the law in your community.

**Dear Abby:** I'm one of your male readers. I posted my profile on an Internet site for singles. The site contains a significant amount of personal information. All the information I entered was accurate except for one. I said I was six years younger than my chronological age.

I did it for two reasons: First, I neither look nor act my age. I take excellent care of my body and my chronological age doesn't

reflect who I am. Second, individuals conduct a search based on only two parameters — the age range desired and geographic location. Thus, many women would never view my profile because I would fall outside the age range considered acceptable.

I had sent and received several e-mails from a delightful young lady. At one point, she asked me whether the age listed in my profile was accurate. I immediately told her the truth and the rationale I had used for listing myself as younger. She immediately informed me that she was no longer interested in communicating with me because I had lied.

Was I wrong to list an age in my profile that wasn't accurate, even though I was more youthful than most people my age?

**— Looking For Love, Columbus, Ohio**

**Dear Looking:** Yes, you were wrong. Although many people of both sexes lie online — about everything from height and weight to income level — the truth has a way of coming to light in the end. And when it does, the inevitable question that follows is: "What if this person *has* been lying about?" That's a very poor way to start any meaningful relationship.

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## Barren breakup may shoot down plans for a quality hunting trip

**Dear Annie:** My girlfriend and I broke up after having been together for two years. The problem is that I'm scheduled to go on a hunting trip with her father. We planned this trip more than six months ago.

I have tried calling her father's house for the past three weeks, but I get no response. I paid \$600 toward this trip and will lose the money if I don't go. I called the hunting outfitter to see if they were still accepting us, and apparently they are.

I could drive to the hunting lodge separately, but I will have to stay in a room with this man for a week. My ex has threatened that her father is going to "kick my butt."

I'm afraid he will make my week a living hell. Is there any way I can make them repay me for the lost money? After all, they don't even have the courage to let me know what's going on.

**— College Guy in Pennsylvania**  
**Dear College Guy:** We can't imagine that you'd still want to go on this little excursion under the circumstances. Call the hunting lodge.

Tell the staff you cannot make the scheduled trip, and ask if you can have a refund. If the answer is no, try again to contact your ex's parents, apologize for the

dilemma the breakup has caused and ask if at least part of the money can be returned. If they are honorable people, they will understand.

**Dear Annie:** I'm a 38-year-old man, married for 11 years, with a 6-year-old kid. I've been unhappy in my marriage for a long time. I truly care about my wife's well-being, but I'm not in love with her anymore.

I'm finding it harder and harder to act as if everything between us is just fine. Inside, I'm crying. I've mentioned to my wife that I'm unhappy, but I guess it didn't make much of an impression on her. Right now, I'm trying to make the best of things, and I don't

fuss or cause arguments. I try to be nice and pleasant, but it's getting harder to hide my real feelings. I'm thinking about divorce.

**— Carolina Blues**

**Dear Carolina:** If ever a letter cried out for marriage counseling, it's yours. It is not uncommon for marriages to go through periods of malaise or dissatisfaction. In a healthy marriage, couples work on the problem and make the relationship stronger. Neither you nor your wife took that step — but it may not be too late.

Talk to your clergyman, or

ask for a referral from your doctor, United Way or the American Association for Marriage & Family Therapy ([aamt.org](http://aamt.org)), 112 S. Alfred St., Alexandria, VA 22314-3061.

**Dear Annie:** I had an experience similar to the one described by "Grieving in Kansas," who kept receiving calls from telemarketers who said they were calling about a woman named Annie. About a year after my husband died, I got a phone call from a stockbroker saying my husband, "Annie," had called and requested information. He asked if Dave was home, and when I said no, he asked if there was a number where Dave could be reached.

I said, "Hold on a minute." I looked up the number of the cemetery and gave it to the sales man, saying, "He'll talk to him, will you tell him to call home?"

The mental image of that man's reaction when he made the call stopped the wave of grief I'd been feeling. I still miss when I think about it.

**— Humor Helped**

**Dear Humor:** We're glad this little practical joke alleviated your grief, although we doubt it did much for the salesman.

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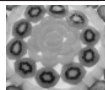
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FOXBORO, Mass. — At the mere mention of the word, Joe Andruzzi flopped his head back and let out an exasperated sigh.

It's true: The New England Patriots have another streak on the line.

"Oh, geez," the Patriots' offensive lineman said this week as he prepared to play the Seattle Seahawks for what could be an NFL record-tying 17th consecutive regular-season victory.

The Patriots, who haven't lost since Sept. 28, 2003, won their 19th straight game last week when they beat Miami 24-10. That streak, which included their run to the Super Bowl title, was the all-inclusive NFL record, and the Patriots thought they had put a rest to all the streak talk.

But a win this week would tie the regular-season record set by the Chicago Bears in 1933-34.

"I could care less," Seattle running back Shaun Alexander said. "We want to go out there and be a Super Bowl team, and New England is in the way, so we have to go to get it. I think it's sweet that they are as good as they are."

Two-time Super Bowl champs in the 1990s, it's one of makes it exciting for me.

"(But) the records they have, or

everything else?" he said. "Who cares?"

Not the Patriots, or so they say, after they won the last 12 games of the regular season last year, three more in the playoffs and then their first four this year. After beating Indianapolis in the regular-season opener — the only blemish on the Colts' record — the Patriots beat Arizona, Buffalo and Miami, teams that have one win among them.

Now comes a stretch in which New England plays Seattle (3-1), the New York Jets (4-0), the Pittsburgh Steelers (4-1) and the St. Louis Rams (3-2).

Seattle's modest streak ended last week after St. Louis rallied from a 17-point deficit in the final 5½ minutes to tie the game, then won on a 52-yard touchdown pass in overtime.

"They lost last week, but they were in that game and I'm sure they felt like they should have won that game," Patriots quarterback Tom Brady said. "We are playing a team that is basically undefeated. It is a great challenge for us."

Brady has a challenge of his own: He's coming off the worst performance of his career. The two-time Super Bowl MVP completed just seven passes for 76 yards on Sunday and finished the game with a sore shoulder and



four stitches on his chin.

"That makes me nervous," Seahawks coach Mike Holmgren said, "because I don't think he's going to do that too often."

Before Seattle went from undefeated to "basically undefeated," the Seahawks were being mentioned as Super Bowl contenders. They had allowed just 13 points in their first 15½ quarters before allowing 23 in the last 11 minutes against St. Louis.

"People have been talking about us in a really positive way, and talking about us going really far," Seattle quarterback Matt Hasselbeck said. "The difference is that's just talk, and the Patriots act on it. I really don't think us, as the Seattle Seahawks, can even say we're anywhere near the caliber of team that the Patriots are."

"We never even won a playoff



New England Patriots fans at last Sunday's game in Foxboro, Mass., cheer their team's 19th consecutive victory. One victory would tie the regular-season record set by the Chicago Bears in 1933-34.

game," he said. "I think it's almost disrespectful to the teams in the NFC that have been there or been so close, and to the Patriots who have actually been there and done it, to just start throwing our name around the way people have. On one hand, yes, it's nice that people think we have a good team, but on the other hand it doesn't mean anything. We need to go out and earn some respect."

The Seahawks have not lost to the Patriots since 1988, though the teams haven't met since '93.

Hasselbeck knows a little something about the Patriots — his father, Don, played for the team from 1977-83; Matt and his brothers used to hang around, playing catch with the receivers, helping the quarterbacks warm up, even folding the towels in the laundry room.

"I just spent a lot of time down there," he said. "I just learned a lot being around those guys."

Those guys were great to me, really took care of me. I can't say enough for the experience."

# To Dallas, Roethlisberger is not an ordinary rookie

BY JAIME ARON  
The Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — Bill Parcells has a favorite line about rookies who blaze onto the scene: "Don't put him in Canton yet."

Yet with the Pittsburgh Steelers coming to Texas Stadium on Sunday to face the Dallas Cowboys, Parcells went the opposite direction in praising their young quarterback, Ben Roethlisberger.

Parcells started by calling him "the best young prospect I've seen in 10 to 12 years," then said he's making the most seamless transition from college to the pros since Dan Marino.

"I think it's pretty remarkable what he's doing," Parcells said. "I haven't seen many rookie quarterbacks come in and perform at that level."

Had he continued, Parcells might have worked his way up to asking for Roethlisberger's coat size so he could order the yellow blazer that goes with induction into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Get the picture?

The verbal bouquets reek of a double-edged play. He's been "feeding cheese" — another of his pet phrases — to try to inflame the kid's ego and trying to persuade his young secondary to spend more time studying the playbook.

Roethlisberger handed the kudos with the poise he's shown on the field, thanking Parcells while acknowledging it could be a setup.

"It's a little too early to be putting those statements on it," he said. "I'll be incredibly happy."

Well, at least it worked inside Dallas' locker room, although players insisted Par-



Ben Roethlisberger is trying to be the first quarterback to win his first four NFL games since Phil Simms did it in 1979 with the New York Giants. He's could also become the first Pittsburgh quarterback to beat Dallas since Terry Bradshaw in 1982.

cells' compliments merely supported what they saw on film.

"If you took his name and number off his jersey, you wouldn't think he's a rookie at all," marveled Dallas defensive end Greg Ellis. "He's the real deal. He's going to be one of those \$100 million quarterbacks in a few years."

Big, strong, mobile, smart and rock-armed, Roethlisberger has started his



career by winning his first three NFL starts, something that was almost a fluke when it was last done — in 1987, by a replacement player who was gone once the strike ended.

Another win Sunday and Roethlisberger will be the first to go 4-0 since Phil Simms on the 1979 New York Giants, a team that had another NFL rookie on its coaching staff, a guy named Parcells.

And how's this for a nice historic tie-in: Roethlisberger could become the first Pittsburgh quarterback to beat Dallas since Terry Bradshaw in 1982.

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Roethlisberger and the Steelers (4-1) have looked great the past three weeks, but it's been at winless Miami and at home

against two poor teams, Cleveland and Cincinnati.

So a win at Dallas (2-2) could help legitimize Pittsburgh's hot start and send the Steelers into their off week with the confidence needed to prepare for their next two foes: New England and Philadelphia, two of the league's three remaining unbeaten.

"All the great teams are good on the road and that's something we want to stress," said Hines Ward, the AFC's receptions leader. "It's a big game for us. If we go down there and steal it, we're 5-1 going into our bye week. We can get our guys healthy and get ready to finish the year out strong with 10 games left."

The Cowboys are looking for a job to get their season going.

They've shown they can run, throw and defend, but haven't done it all in one game.

Dallas had to go down to the final play to beat Cleveland and Washington, teams that are a combined 3-7. In losses to Minnesota and New York (combined 7-2), the Cowboys saw four-point games at halftime.

Pittsburgh coach Bill Cowher is doing some cheese-feeding himself by reminding his team that the Cowboys had the NFL's top-rated defense last season, when Dallas made the playoffs. But that unit already has allowed eight plays of 30-plus yards.

And big plays are probably third on Dallas' list of problems, behind penalties and turnovers.

The offense frustrates Parcells, too, averaging just 16.8 points despite gaining 357.2 yards per game.

"When I've got a team behaving like I don't want it to behave in some respects, it bothers me," he said. "My job is to rectify that."

# Support growing to open Bills' offense

The Associated Press

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Receiver Eric Moulden is all for owner Ralph Wilson's suggestion that the Buffalo Bills open up their passing attack.

## NFL briefs

"I think we've got the players to open it up," Moulden said Thursday. "We've been coming out trying to establish the run game. And I think we're going to try to continue to establish the run. But at the same time, we need to throw the ball a little more."

Moulden's comments came after Wilson criticized his team's offense for being boring following Buffalo's 16-14 loss Sunday to the New York Jets. Saying he was tired of smashmouth football, Wilson said he'd rather see quarterback Drew Bledsoe throw the ball deep more often, even if it meant risking interceptions.

The Bills need some kind of spark, having lost their first four games this season, and preparing to host Miami (0-5) in a meeting between the NFL's two remaining winless teams.

Moulden's support for Wilson is not a big surprise, considering the Bills' margin receiver has lobbied in the past to have more passes thrown his way.

The difference this time, Moulden said, is that unlike last season, he's not bothered by a groin injury that prevented him from going deep. And he noted that the Bills have a receiving corps capable of being successful with the emergence of rookie Lee Evans, the first-round draft pick who's quickly taken over the No. 2 role.

The Bills offense, under new coordinator Tom Clements, has stuck to a conservative approach, concentrating on establishing the run, and having Bledsoe get rid of the ball quickly. That's come at the expense of the deep game, which has been used sparingly, and mostly when Buffalo is playing catch-up.

Coach Mike Mularkey has said that he doesn't intend to stray too far from the current offensive philosophy, in part because it's proven

## NFL injury update

Injuries to prominent NFL players, followed by team's prognosis for upcoming games.

**Injured:** DE Lionel Barnes (shoulder) out for season; DE Paul Spicer (knee) out for season.

**Packers:** WR Robert Ferguson (ankle, knee) probable.

**Redskins:** LB Lavar Arrington (knee) out; K John Hall (groin) out.

en difficult to protect Bledsoe, who has been sacked a league-high 19 times.

The Bills' offense is struggling just under 13 points, and have generated five offensive touchdowns.

## Nothing resolved with Rice

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Raiders coach Norv Turner still considers Jerry Rice a starter in Oakland's offense and plans to use the receiver Sunday against Denver.

The 42-year-old Rice told the team he wants to be traded if he can't have a significant role, and he met with owner Al Davis on Wednesday night to discuss it.

"Gooh, I wasn't in it," Turner said Thursday of the meeting. "They talked about the situation and nothing has happened to this point."

Rice, who will earn \$1.35 million in base salary this season, said this week he would like to go elsewhere before the trade deadline on Tuesday so another team could better utilize his talents.

"There's no news," Rice said in the parking lot as he left the facility for the day. "We just talked football. We put two heads together and had a good talk."

Last season, Rice led the Raiders in catches (63) and yards receiving (869).

## Fiedler to start for Miami

DAVIE, Fla. — Miami Dolphins quarterback Jay Fiedler said he'll start Sunday at Buffalo despite missing practice this week with a cracked rib.

"I'm playing and I'm good to go," he said Friday.

Fiedler aggravated the injury Sunday at New England and sat out the end of the game. He did not practice Wednesday but returned Thursday.

Sonny Morris will become the fourth running back to start this season for the winless Dolphins, replacing Leonard Henry.

Henry and Brock Forsey will back up Morris, coach Dave Wannstedt said.

In other team news, defensive end Chidi Ahanotu has left the Dolphins after complaining about a lack of playing time.

The 12-year NFL veteran signed as a free agent at the end of the preseason.

# Seattle primed to end streak

By DAVE GOLDBERG

The Associated Press

In the first 232 minutes of its season, Seattle held opponents to 23 points. Then it allowed 23 in the next 11 minutes, blowing last week's game to St. Louis in overtime.

So now it's the one-loss Seahawks instead of the unbeaten ones who will try to end New England's NFL record 19-game winning streak on Sunday in Foxboro. It might take a little luster off the matchup, but Seattle is considered the best team the Patriots have faced since their opener, when they barely held on against Indianapolis.

The Patriots are favored by four points, a number that reflects the Seahawks' ability. That's the home-field plus one, perhaps for the Seahawks' early mileage.

New England will have to play better this week than it did against Miami, when it won simply by showing up. And Tom Brady will probably need more than seven completions for 76 yards, which is what he did against the Dolphins.

Mike Holmgren was relatively calm after the loss to the Rams, although the Seahawks' coach acknowledged that in the past, he might have "erupted like Mount St. Helens."

Holmgren has won one Super Bowl, but to another and is probably one of the few offensive coaches in the league who can match wits with New England coach Bill Belichick.

More motivation for Seattle: Matt Hasselbeck's father spent seven years as a tight end with the Patriots. He was a ball boy for the team, and he went to Boston College.

The streak has to end some time.



The Patriots may say they don't feel the pressure, but as with the 1998 Broncos — the last team to win 18 straight before New England — they know it's there.

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**SEAHAWKS, 20-19**

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**GREEN BAY (plus 2) at Detroit:** Even when the Packers are playing well and the Lions badly, Detroit often beats Green Bay at home. ... **LIONS, 28-20.**

**TAMPA BAY (plus 6) at St. Louis (Monday night):** Another trend: Brian Griese plays badly after a game. ... **RAMS, 17-6.**

**PITTSBURGH (plus 3) at Dallas:** If Big Ben survives Tuna's defense, he should have been the No. 1 overall pick. ... **COWBOYS, 13-12.**

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**MINNESOTA (minus 3) at New Orleans:** No one can figure out the Saints, certainly not Jim Haslett. ... **SAINTS, 34-33.**

**DENVER (minus 1 1/2) at Oakland:** Mike Shanahan, fired by the Raiders in 1989, is 14-4 against them. ... **BRONCOS, 20-14.**

**SAN FRANCISCO (plus 10) at New York Jets:** The 49ers have allowed 66 points in two road games. ... **JETS, 66-20.**

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# Owens to Panthers: Don't expect a repeat

Philly's stronger receiving corps confronts injury-plagued Carolina in rematch of 2003 NFC title game

By BOB BROOKOVER

The Philadelphia Inquirer

PHILADELPHIA — Like most messages from Terrell Owens, this one was direct.

The intended receiver was Ricky Manning Jr., the Carolina Panthers' cornerback who destroyed the Eagles' Super Bowl dreams back in January with three interceptions and intimidating coverage on Todd Pinkston and James Thrash.

"I hope Ricky Manning doesn't come here thinking he's going to push us around this year, because it's not going to happen," Owens said.

Manning, of course, talked a lot before, during and after the Panthers' 14-3 victory over the Eagles in last season's NFC championship game. He backed it up, too.

Before last year's NFC title game, Manning said, "I'm definitely not impressed with their receivers."

Pinkston had an interesting reply at the time.

"Just because we don't have

the big-name guys like Terrell Owens or Randy Moss doesn't mean we can't play," he said.

This week, Pinkston has remained silent and out of sight in the Eagles' locker room. Owens, on the other hand, arrived for work Wednesday with a "bring it on" message for Manning.

"This ain't what he wants right here," the star receiver said. "This ain't what he wants. If he wants to bring it, then bring it. I don't have to say a whole lot. I don't have to talk a whole lot to pump my game up."

Manning chose his words carefully Wednesday. The Panthers are 1-3 and ravaged by injuries. Manning, meanwhile, was burned Sunday for the game-deciding touchdown at Denver.

"They've got a good group of receivers," Manning said of the Eagles. "They've got one of the best in the game. It's going to be a great challenge. I'm looking forward to it."

Even when told of Owens' comments by a reporter from the Charlotte Observer, Manning remained diplomatic.

"I've got to figure out how I'm going to stop T.O.," he said.

"What's going to be my technique

*"I hope Ricky Manning doesn't come here thinking he's going to push us around this year, because it's not going to happen."*

Terrell Owens  
Philadelphia Eagles WR



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Philadelphia's Terrell Owens, right, ranks fifth in the NFC in yards receiving (364), eight in receptions (26), second in touchdown catches (six) and fourth in receiving yards per game (91.0).

against him, whether I play soft or whether I play hard or whether I play deep or whether I play short? I've got to come up with a game plan, and I'm pretty sure I'll mix it up pretty well and just try to keep him from knowing what I'm doing."

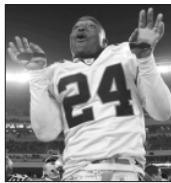
Whatever Manning does, it's unlikely to rattle Owens the way it affected Pinkston. Owens, at 6 feet 3 and 226 pounds, has a tremendous size and weight advantage over the 5-8, 185-pound Manning.

"This isn't to get anything started, but I obviously heard they were a little bit physical with some of the receivers last year," Owens said. "It's a different year, a different mind-set, and a different team."

"I feel like we have a great group of guys in the receiving corps. I'm the big brother of that group. If it's going to be a physical game on Sunday, I welcome that and we welcome that."

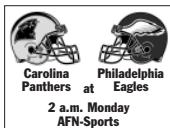
Owens, in his ninth NFL season, has had tremendous success against the Panthers. His first ca-

reer catch came against them as a rookie in 1996 with San Francisco, and his first 100-yard game came later that same season. He



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Before last season's NFC championship game Carolina cornerback Ricky Manning said of Philadelphia's offense, "I'm definitely not impressed with their receivers." This week he said, "They've got a good group of receivers. They've got one of the best in the game."



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has 54 catches for 805 yards and nine touchdowns in his career against the Panthers.

This will be the first time, however, he has gone against Manning, who is arguably the primary reason the Eagles decided to upgrade the receiving corps and bring in Owens.

"To be honest, I really haven't watched much of the guy," Owens said. "That's just being brutally honest. Even when I do play against guys, I don't really care about their names or any of that. I just go out and play, and he's the guy in front of me that I need to beat."

Manning said he was being honest last year when he questioned the ability of the Eagles' receivers and he does not regret it.

"At first I did," he said. "But I didn't regret it when my team responded well. My team was like, 'You said it, let's just go out there and prove it. What's said is said. Let's just go beyond it and try not to say any more stuff.'"

"I just felt I saw some weaknesses in their receivers last year. I felt like if I attacked them a certain way that we would succeed in doing it. That's what we did. We went out there and attacked them in a certain way and it worked to perfection."

Manning and fellow defensive back Mike Minter respect Owens. "He's a big physical guy who's not afraid to compete," Minter said. "He wants to be the best, and I'm sure he wants to prove a point coming into this week that if they had him last year, they probably would have beat us."

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# Berlin, Miami won't stay down for the count

## 'Canes overcome 17-point deficit to shade Louisville

BY STEVEN WINE

The Associated Press

MIAMI — Flat on his back on the Orange Bowl turf, Brock Berlin writhed from the hit he had just taken. The Louisville Cardinals had him down, but not out.

Berlin rose slowly and stayed in the game, sparking a second-half rally to help No. 3 Miami beat No. 18 Louisville 41-38 Thursday night.

"I was hurting pretty good," said Berlin, whose chest was bruised in the second quarter. "But I never considered coming out of the game."

Good thing for the Hurricanes (5-0), who needed Berlin's three touchdown passes in erasing a 17-point deficit in the final 20 minutes. Miami came from behind twice in the fourth quarter to remain in the race for a sixth national championship since 1983.

"Brock Berlin played a super game, especially in the second half," coach Larry Coker said. "He was on fire."

Berlin threw for 308 yards — 215 after halftime — and directed the winning drive, a 56-yard march capped by Frank Gore's 1-yard run with 49 seconds left.

"We kind of got ourselves in a hole," Berlin said. "Some things weren't working. But we proved what type of character our team has."

Gore's touchdown capped a second-quarter drive. Devin Hester scored on a 78-yard punt return to put Miami ahead 34-31, but Louisville (4-1) regained the lead when freshman backup quarterback Brian Brohm directed an 80-yard touchdown drive.

Stefan LeFors threw three touchdown passes for the Cardinals before being sidelined with a concussion in the fourth quarter.

The Cardinals had touted the game as perhaps the biggest in school history, and they rose to the occasion. The Hurricanes narrowly averted only the second loss in their past 30 games at the Orange Bowl.

"We came out and threw everything we had at them," Louisville coach Bobby Petrino said. "I thought we had them. Unfortunately we didn't."

That was largely due to Berlin, the target of boos when Miami fell behind in the first half. He finished 25-for-37, including a completion on fourth-and-4 to keep the winning drive alive, and threw touchdown passes of 9 yards to Greg Olsen, 14 yards to Roscoe Parrish and 11 yards to Akieem Jolla.

The Hurricanes scored on all six possessions in the second half, but Brohm had them worried until a pass on the final play from midfield was intercepted.

"We're hurting and we're down," Petrino said. "Any time you go out and compete as hard as you can and lose, it hurts."

The Cardinals led 24-7 at half-time and 31-14 late in the third quarter. An early goal-line stand suggested they meant business, and 24 consecutive points in the first half confirmed it.

LeFors went 17-for-22 for 244 yards. Lionel Gates scored three times and Tiger Jones caught two touchdown passes for the Cardinals, who totaled 507 yards against a defense that had given up only one touchdown in four games.

Gates also took a short snap on a fake punt and ran 39 yards to set up a touchdown.

The Hurricanes were the more unstoppable team in the second half, and Berlin directed consecutive scoring drives of 76, 66 and 87 yards to cut the deficit to 31-24. The Cardinals then committed their first turnover when LeFors fumbled a snap on his final play, setting up Jon Peattie's second field goal to make it 31-27 with 12 minutes left.

Miami forced a punt, and Hester found a seam up the middle to score untouched — his third touchdown on a punt return this season.



Miami's Devin Hester, here returning a kickoff, ran a punt back 78 yards to help Miami hold off Louisville 41-38 on Thursday night.

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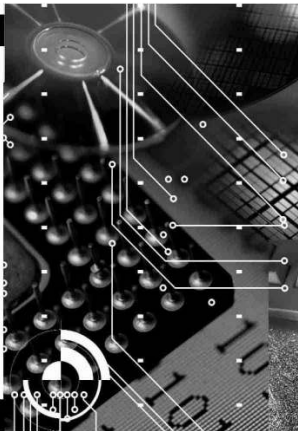


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# Islanders wrap up first league title in eight years

Stars and Stripes

CAMP FOSTER, Okinawa — It took one half for the Kadena Islanders' offense to find itself. But once Keith Loving and the Islanders got going, it was smooth sailing to the team's first Okinawa Activities Council title in eight years.

Loving ran for 110 yards and a touchdown on eight second-half carries after sitting the first half, sparking the Islanders to a 25-7 homecoming-wrecking win over the Kubasaki Shogun on Friday.

Coupled with a 24-14 loss by the Kubasaki Samurai (3-2) to the defending league champion Kadena Buccaneers, the Islanders (5-0) captured the regular-season championship and the top seed in the playoffs, which start Oct. 29.

The Islanders shared the 1996 island crown with the Samurai.

Coach Sergio Mendoza refused to celebrate the regular-season title for too long, with the island playoffs looming later this month.

"This league is a tough league," he said, noting Kadena's teams are 5-1 against Kubasaki, but the average margin of victory is just 8½ points.

## Prep football

"We want to be focused and mentally prepared for the play-offs," Mendoza said. "We're focused on going play day. We want to win the next play. We feel we can reach our goals if we stick to that motto."

The Islanders managed this victory just three days after Tuesday's 27-14 win over the Buccaneers. Loving played sparingly and his senior running back sidekick, David McCowan, not at all, as Mendoza worked backups Terrence Crenshaw and Eric Robinson into the rotation.

"It was important for us to let the other kids have their shot, and they played well," Mendoza said. Crenshaw ran 12 times for 66 yards, and Robinson returned a fumble 95 yards for a touchdown.

Loving helped put it out of reach in the third quarter, capping an 85-yard, 12-play drive with an 8-yard TD run. Steyr Ma-

dayag later added a 1-yard scoring run.

Ronnie Stephens provided a bright spot for the Shogun, taking a short pass and turning it into a 75-yard touchdown romp with 1:12 left.

In the Buccaneers' victory, Tyler Schmidt tossed a 24-yard touchdown pass to Gary Wright and Schmidt and Wright both intercepted two Samurai passes.

Darnell Womach scored on a 1-yard run and an 82-yard kickoff return.

## Japan

### Yokota 36, Zama American 8

CAMP ZAMA, Japan — Chris Roach put away the contest with a huge fourth quarter, gaining 113 yards and scoring twice on nine carries. He finished the game with 225 yards and four TDs on 26 carries for Yokota (6-0).

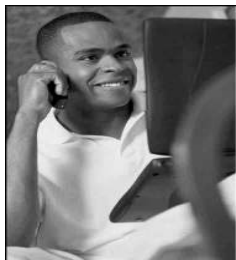
Against Zama this season, Roach has run for 458 yards and seven TDs.

Shawn Novak went 3-for-5 for 81 yards, including a 64-yard scoring pass to Kenny Harris, who had two catches for 78 yards.



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Bucs running back Darnell Womach runs for a 1-yard TD on Friday.



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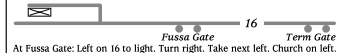
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# Newman wins pole

## Driver looks to UAW-GM Quality 500 victory to spark surge back to top in chase for Cup

BY JENNA FRYER

The Associated Press

CONCORD, N.C. — Ryan Newman has an engineering degree that helps him rely on facts instead of theories.

The fact of the matter is he's still a contender in the Chase for the Nextel Cup championship. The reality is that he's a long shot to win it.

Either way, winning the pole Thursday night at Lowe's Motor Speedway won't hurt him. Newman will start first in the UAW-GM Quality 500 after shattering the track record with a lap at 188.877 mph.

Although he's eighth in the standings and 232 points behind leader Kurt Busch, Newman knows a victory Saturday night would go a long way toward closing the gap and getting him back in the race for the title.

We are at a deficit, but I think we can make that up," he said. "It's going to be hard and it's probably going to take some misfortune from some other competitors. But mathematically, we are still capable."

Newman's lap beat the track record of 187.052 that Jimmie Johnson set here in May — a lap that erased the record Newman had held.

"I told my wife I wanted it back," he said.

Kasey Kahne ran a lap at 187.311 to qualify second and Casey Mears was third to put

Dodges in the first three spots. Mears won the pole for Friday night's Busch series race shortly before he made his Cup qualifying run.

Both Kahne and Mears are looking for their first Nextel Cup victories Saturday night, but the focus is on the Chase for the title.

With six races left in the 10-event playoff system, it's almost turned into a three-man race. Busch, Dale Earnhardt Jr. and Jeff Gordon are battling for the lead with the other seven drivers hoping the top three slip up enough to gain some ground.

Elliott Sadler is one of them, and he qualified his Ford fifth Thursday night. But he knows to pull within striking distance, he needs the others to make mistakes.

"We think that Kurt Busch has been very, very consistent and we wouldn't wish bad luck on anybody," Sadler said. "But I think he's going to have to have at least one slip to let a couple of us back in the game."

The slips might have been in qualifying, when the three drivers at the top were only mediocre: Busch qualified 21st, Gordon 23rd, Earnhardt 28th.

They head into the race with Busch holding a 29-point lead over Earnhardt. Gordon is 79 points back.

Busch wasn't rattled by the mediocre qualifying run.

"It's a good car. We haven't had any problems with it until now," he said. "We've got to get up there and lead a lap and give those five



Ryan Newman is all smiles after winning the pole for Saturday's NASCAR race at Concord, N.C., with a track-record 188.877 mph lap.

points and make sure we do the best job all day."

Meanwhile, the drivers trying to climb back into the Chase had strong qualifying runs.

Johnson, who dominated the race here in May by leading 334 of 400 laps, qualified ninth. He is desperate for a strong run after wrecking at Kansas last Sunday to fall 247 points behind the leader.

Mark Martin, who announced earlier Thursday that 2005 will be his final full-time season, qualified 12th. He's fifth in the standings, 150 points behind.

# V. Williams is defeated in Kremlin

The Associated Press

MOSCOW — Unseeded Russian Elena Bovina upset error-prone Venus Williams 6-3, 6-2 Friday in a quarterfinal match in the Kremlin Cup tennis tournament.

Bovina faces a semifinal match against compatriot Elena Dementieva, who ousted fellow Russian Svetlana Kuznetsova 6-1, 6-3.

Top-ranked Lindsay Davenport beat Francesca Schiavone of Italy 6-4, 6-1 and will play French Open and defending Kremlin Cup champion Anastasia Myskina, who beat countrywoman Vera Zvonareva 4-6, 6-7, 6-5.

**Shaughnessy to semifinals**

TASHKENT, Uzbekistan — Second-seeded Meghann Shaughnessy advanced to the Tashkent Open semifinals Friday with a 6-2, 6-3 victory over Ukraine's Olga Savchuk after cold weather delayed the start of play.

Shaughnessy faces 15-year-old Nicole Pietrangeli of the Czech Republic, who rallied to defeat fourth-seeded Arantxa Parra Santonja of Spain, 5-7, 6-4, 6-0.

**Top three out of CA Trophy**

VIENNA, Austria — The top three seeds were eliminated in the quarterfinals of the CA Trophy on Friday.

Top-seeded David Nalbandian lost 6-4, 2-6, 6-3 to Argentinian compatriot Guillermo Canas; unseeded Davide Sanguineti beat Olympic champion Nicolas Pietrangeli, who rallied to defeat fourth-seeded Arantxa Parra Santonja of Spain, 5-7, 6-4, 6-0.

**Ex-Brave Nixon arrested**

LAWRENCEVILLE, Ga. — Former Atlanta Braves outfielder Orix Nixon was jailed Friday after the company holding his bond from a previous arrest decided not to honor it because he missed a court appearance.

In February, Nixon, 45, was charged with misdemeanor sexual battery for allegedly fondling a woman at his home. He was released on a \$1,000 bond but didn't show for a court date Wednesday, prompting the arrest warrant.

# Els rallies for two wins in Match Play

The Associated Press

VIRGINIA WATER, England — Ernie Els scored close victories over Scott Drummond and Angel Cabrera on Friday to move into the semifinals of the World Match Play Championship and stay on course for a record sixth title.

Els defeated Drummond 2 and 1 in a first-round match.

The match completed early Friday after being delayed 2½ hours by rain and then suspended Thursday because of darkness. Els then defeated Cabrera 1-up in the quarterfinals.

Els, ranked No. 2 in the world, drove poorly in the first 18 against Cabrera and went out of bounds twice at the long 17th. But he improved in the second 18.

"This afternoon I started swinging like I wanted to. I've been working on something in my takeaway, snatching at it a little bit," Els said. "Only now is it starting to click in with my body."

Padraig Harrington edged Thomas Levet 1-up in another quarterfinal and Lee Westwood defeated Retief Goosen 2 and 1. The fourth quarterfinal was halted by darkness with Miguel Angel Jimenez leading Bernhard Langer 3-up after 28 holes of the 36-hole match.

The day's big upset came when Langer ousted the world's top-ranked player, Vijay Singh, on the first playoff hole of their first-round match, also halted Thursday evening by darkness.

In beating Ryder Cup teammate Levet, Harrington was injured when his right hand hit a tree on the follow-through from a shot in the rough. He had it band-

aged and was unable to swing freely for the rest of his round.

"I thought I had loads of room. How I got my hand to the tree I don't know," Harrington said. "It's just American in the field, and Canada's Mike Weir, lost in the first round."

The winner Sunday receives \$1.8 million, billed as the biggest prize in golf.

**Park follows 62 with 67**

PALM DESERT, Calif. — Grace Park followed her sensational first-round 62 with a steady, 5-under 67 Friday and opened a four-shot lead midway through the Samsung World Championship.

Park went to 15-under 129 through 36 holes at Bighorn Golf Club.

Shi Hyun Ahn, like Park a native of South Korea, and Karen Stapples matched 65s and were

tied at 133. Three-time tournament champion Annika Sorenstam (68) was five shots off the lead along with Cristie Kerr (68), Lorena Ochoa (68) and Catriona Matthew (70).

Amateur Michelle Wie matched par and was at 146 through two rounds. Wie, a 10th-grader in Honolulu who turned 15 on Monday, was ahead of only Laura Davies (147) in the select 20-player field.

**Dufner leads Greensboro**

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Jason Dufner shot a 7-under 65 to match his best round of the year and take a one-shot lead after the first round of the Chrysler Classic of Greensboro.

Dufner has missed the cut in 15 of 26 tournaments and, with only two events left, is 186th on the money list. Only the top 125 are guaranteed a spot for 2005.



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## Two much for Astros



AP photos

St. Louis Cardinals Albert Pujols, left, and Scott Rolen, right, hit the first back-to-back home runs in the team's postseason history to lead St. Louis to a 6-4 win over the Houston Astros on Thursday in the National League Championship Series. The Cardinals lead the series 2-0.

## Pujols, Rolen lead another Cardinals' rally in NLCS

BY JOE STRAUSS

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

ST. LOUIS — First came the swing, then the launch and then the sound of \$2,347 turning Busch Stadium into a deafening caldron.

Then, having given the Cardinals an eighth-inning home run that left the field in a Bronx-bound minute, Albert Pujols stuck out his right fist and shook it. Then he took a curtain call.

Then Scott Rolen made it happen all over again.

With the first back-to-back home runs in Cardinals' postseason history, Pujols and Rolen completed another turnaround against a shell-shocked bullpen and accounted for a 6-4 win over the Houston Astros in Game 2 of the National League Championship Series.

Pujols and Rolen welcomed Astros reliever Dan Miceli with two homers in a four-pitch span. Pujols with his second home run of the series and Rolen with his second of a cold, rain-soaked night. The teams resume the series Saturday night at Minute Maid Park with the Cardinals halfway to their first World Se-

ries since 1987 and the Astros wondering where they can go for a late-inning stand. Pujols' third hit broke a 4-4 tie forged by the Astros in the seventh inning.

Before that, the Cardinals had used a four-run fifth inning to erase a 3-0 deficit built against starting pitcher Matt Morris in five frantic frames.

The home run was Pujols' fourth of the post-season. Rolen's two home runs were one more than his hit total in the team's five previous postseason games.

The flurry buried a team that had carried a lead for four innings behind little-known starter Pete Munro, a career 13-game winner given his release in June by the Minnesota Twins. Munro carried a shutout through four innings before two-out, two-run homers by right fielder Larry Walker and Rolen put the Cardinals ahead 4-3.

"Rolen's two home runs hurt, no question," said Astros manager Phil Garner. "Bottom line, we've been pretty good stopping our opponent from going ahead late in the ballgame. We haven't done that in this series."

Rolen was one for 18 in the postseason before taking his fifth-inning at-bat.

"Mentally your wheels start grinding a little bit and you want to do too much... instead of taking good at-bats and getting good pitches to hit," Rolen said "You try to go through everything and not be overly concerned with results. In a short series along the way, that's a big part of it."

"I don't know what my postseason numbers are but I know tonight that I helped contribute to us winning the ballgame. The next day I hope I can help contribute to us winning the ballgame."

Bothered by ankle, knee and calf pain, Rolen would not answer whether he would playing in midseason with his mix of injuries.

"I'm not going to worry about that. This is October," Rolen said. "This is a special opportunity to go out and do what I do."

Three innings later, Miceli became the second Astros reliever greeted with a homer.

Pujols' home run was his third in as many games. His blast Sunday broke the Los Angeles Dodgers in Game 4 of the division series.

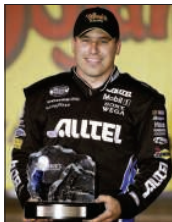
Wednesday he opened the Cardinals' scoring with a home run in the first.

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